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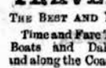

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NERA	5,538	Schmitz	6th Aug. "
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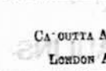

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Steamers	Tons.	Capt.	To Sail about
*REICHSTAG	3400	Ibis	17th April
GOUVERNEUR	3400	Burmeister	8th May.
*KAISER	2800	von Hahl	18th May.
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Steamers.	Tons	Captain.	To sail on
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BOHEMIA	4282	M. Dabcovich	16th May 1908.
AFRICA	4596	P. Badesich	1st June 1908.
KOERBER	5,301	A. Foresti	1st July 1908.

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VORWAERTS	5000	B. Bednarz	27th Apr. 1908.
PERSIA	5005	G. Bartolo	25th May 1908.

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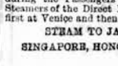

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City of Benares	"	Apr. 19	.....	May 10	June 1
City of Calcutta	"	May 22	.....	June 9	July 1
City of Karachi	"	June 4*	.....	June 22	July 15
Trafford Hall	"	June 22	.....	July 10	Aug. 2
City of London	"	July 13	.....	July 31	Aug. 23
City of Manchester	"	July 20	.....	Aug. 8	Sept. 1
Merton Hall	"	Aug. 6	Aug. 21	.....	Sept. 18
City of Calcutta	"	Aug. 22	.....	Sept. 9	Oct. 1
City of Karachi	"	Sept. 5	.....	Sept. 23	Oct. 20
Trafford Hall	"	Oct. 12	.....	Oct. 29	Nov. 23
City of Glasgow	"	Oct. 28	.....	Nov. 5	Nov. 29
City of London	"	Nov. 7	.....	Nov. 25	Dec. 21 1909
Merton Hall	"	Nov. 20	Dec. 5	.....	Jan. 7
City of Calcutta	"	Nov. 26	.....	Dec. 14	Jan. 7
City of Karachi	"	Dec. 15	.....	Dec. 31	Jan. 23 1909
Trafford Hall	"	Jan. 10	.....	Jan. 26	Feb. 20

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Bombay, 6th April, 1908.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 6, Hornby Row, Fort, on Thursday the 23rd April, 1908, at 4-30 p. m. (S.T.), for the transaction of the following business:—

1st. To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Balance Sheets, and Profit and Loss accounts for the two half years ended respectively the 30th June and 31st December, 1907.

2ND. To sanction the declaration of a Dividend for the half year ended 31st December, 1907.

3RD. To appoint two directors in place of those who are retiring by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.

4TH. To appoint two Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

5TH. To pass the following Resolution:—

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THE steamer Frankly, 2,617 tons Captain A Tel arrived in harbour on the 16th instant from Penarth with a cargo of coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Virawa 2,176 tons Captain J Le Brocq will sail to-day for Zanzibar &c., with a general cargo and 4 cabin and 45 deck passengers.

THE steamer Rheinfels 3,528 tons Captain G D Dirks sailed yesterday for Calcutta via Coast ports with a general cargo.

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THE Clan Line steamer Clan Macintyre 3,052 tons Captain A Weir will sail to-day for Antwerp with a general cargo.

THE F Rubattino S N Co's steamer Capri 2,717 tons Captain P Domnico, will sail to-day for Hong Kong with a general cargo and 5 cabin and 19 deck passengers.

THE City Line steamer City of Vienna 2,979 tons Captain R S Miller will sail to-day for Marseilles &c., with a general cargo and his Excellency Sir Chandra Sham, Sher Jung Prime Minister of Nepal and his party as passengers.

THE French Mail steamer Caledonien, 2,540 tons, Captain J. Martin arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening from Sydney with a general cargo and passengers. She sailed on Tuesday for Marseilles, with the same bottom cargo and passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's. steamer Lhasa, 949 tons, Captain M. G. Williams, arrived in harbour on the 15 inst. from Karachi via coast ports with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Sir Murry, Mrs. Herman, and child Mr. Sassoon, Mrs Muir, Mr Masson, Lt-Cook. Mr Mc ton, Miss Barrell, Mrs Rodrigues, 4 natives and 320 decks. During the voyage on the 10th and 11th instant she experienced N W Gale and high sea.

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H M S Redbreast	Lt-Comdr W Hose	R Navy
R I M S Dalhousie	Capt J C Horder	R I Marine

IN THE STREAM.

R I M S Hardinge	Capt S D Valo	R I Marine
R I M S Palinurus	Capt Rickman	Survey Steamer

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—APRIL 16.

Alcana	2312 Morgan	W & A G Co
Badree	1439 Lloyd	H A Hassum
Bulimba	1607 Sewell	M M & Co
Braziliana	2438 Temblejee	The Captain
Caspian	2317 Capman	W & A G Co
Caledonia	3529 Peters	P & O Co
Clan Forbes	2589 Becket	F M & Co
Clan'dale	3100 Kiddi	T M & Co
Dalrala	2701 Allen	M M & Co
Fairport	2433 Greig	F M & Co
Frankly	3617 Yell	
Gerd	750 Andreasen	Bangkok F F C & Co
Goalpara	1359 Manley	P Gulf 20-4 M M & Co
Hartport	2503 Holman	M M & Co
Inchbarva	2572 Nicholas	W & A G Co
Islami	1604 Newby	B & P S N Co
Kazembe	2936 Anderson	P & O Co
Loch Tay	3416 Stephen	W & A G Co
Labuan	2294 Ross	W & A G Co
Landaura	2156 Hall	M M & Co
Monsori	1735 Hanna	B & P S N Co
Mazagon	3280 Lowe	M M & Co
Norfolk	2506 Boney	G Cotton & Co
Nerbudda	1961 Williams	M M & Co
Neidenfels	3417 Rode	Glade & Co
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Naseri	912 LeMire	P Gulf 17-4 Bo & P S N Co
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Warora	2553 Shepbard	N P M & Co
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VESSEL IN DOCK.—APRIL 16.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessel.	Ton.	Cap.	Dest.	Dates	Agents.
Othello	3327	Bradley	Hull	23-4	F M & Co
Clan Macintosh	3043	Lennoso	Dunkirk	30-4	F M & Co
D & E Chupra	3954	England	Antwerp	27-4	M M & Co
Mohammadi	1252	R S Ports	Pr's	22-4	B & P S N Co
Reichstag	1319	Thle	Z'bar	17-4	A Strandes
Yeboshi Maru	2992	Kon Kobe	..	22-4	N Y Kaisha
Haidari	1563	DeLorne	Jeddah	28-4	B & P S N Co
Umzumbi	2139	Mitchell	M'borough	16-4	R A Willis

H W D D

Loodiana	2128	Clower		N F M M & Co	

M W P D

Intravati	513	Fakeera	G Ports	16-4	Bo S N Co Ld
Mabanadi	547	Ahmed	Manglore	17-4	Bo S N Co Ld

VICTORIA DOCK.

1	Britannia	1970	Gavrick	L'pool 19-4 W & A G & Co
3	Senator	3048	Atkinson	Antwerp N F K Nixon & Co
5	Clan Macintyre	3503	Weir	Antwe 17-4 F Muir & Co
9	Oriental	3085	Palmer	Aden 1-5 P & O S N Co
10 & 11	Quilos	4942	Anderson	N F M M & Co
14	Lhasa	941	Williams	K'chi 20-4 M M & Co
15	Gorjistan	2900	Scott	Genoa 3-5 M M & Co

ARRIVALS.

Apr.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
15	Caledonien	Martin	Sydney, Mar 13
16	Lhasa	Williams	Karachi, Apr 13
16	Frankly	Yell	Penarth, Mar 19

DEPARTURES.

Apr.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
16	Umzumbi	Mitchell	Middlesbro
	Dumra	Outhouse	Persian Gulf &c
	Imperato r	Mosca	Trieste, &c
	Caledonien	Martin	Marseilles
	H M S Hyacenth	Bengage	Persian Gulf
	Rheinfels	Dirks	Calcutta
	Reichenfels	Polthast	Hamburg, &c
	Braziliana	Tamblyn	Calcutta

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday :—

Steamer Reichstag, Thle, for Zanzibar, &c.
" City of Vienna Miller, for Hull, &c.
" Capri, Dominico, for Hongkong.
" Virawa, Brocq, for Zanzibar &c.
" Gird. Andreasen, for Bangkok, &c.
" Clan Macintyre, Weir, for Antwerp.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer Macedonia, for London.
" Halsari, for Mauritius.
" Rajputana, for Calcutta, &c.
" Warora, for Rangoon, &c.
" City of Glasgow, for Liverpool, &c.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

April.	Vessel.	From
8	Umfuli	Rangoon
11	Kybfels	Antwerp
11	Glenelg	Liverpool
12	Golconda	London
13	Tara	Straits
14	Lindula	Negapatam
14	Pentakota	Rangoon
13	Shadwell	London
13	Trantenfels	Middlesbro
13	Glenafri	London
14	Palamcotta	Rangoon
14	Nonsuch	Calcutta

DAILY EXPORTS—April 16.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Britannia s—52 bales hemp, G. Madhowji and Co; 140 bales rags, C. Heerji; 1014 cwts myrabollams, E. Oomersey; 20 bales cotton Glazebrock Tejpal and Co; 240 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 14 cases twist Greaves Cotton and Co; 10 bales wool, C. Balkisondas; 75 bales wool, M. J. Jooma and Co; 42 bales wool, W. and A. Graham and Co; 100 bales cotton-fly and waste, N Moti; 200 bales cotton waste, N Peerbhoy; 316 cwts seed cake, A Moritz and Co; 2678 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

City of Glasgow s—1000 tons manganese ore, D B Lamb and Co; 5 bales silk, Kakoon and 2 bales silk waste, Killick Nixon and Co; 22,936 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR LONDON.

Macedonia s—10 bales carpets, H G H Mahomed; 6 cwt condiments, D Dadabhoy; 300 cwt condiments, M Poonjiaji and Sons; 1,719 cwt myrabollams, E Oomersey; 38 balds hemp, E Oomersey; 36 bales hemp J N Kapadia and Co; 4,231 cwt myrabollams, G Madhowji and Co; 3,300 cwt myrabollams, A Khimji; 3,066 cwt cottonseed, Ralli Bros; 8,518 cwt cotton seed Ralli Bros; 100 cwt cashewnuts, R Jewandas and Co; 4,000 cwt rapeseed E D Sassoon and Co; 50 cwt dry ginger, S Bhimji; 716 cwt myrabollams, G Madhowji and Co.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Britannia s—10 bales twist, N Khairaz and Co; 9 bales twist, Greaves Cotton and Co; 18 packages twist, Bradbury Brady and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Britanna s—401 cwt turmeric, P Seorji and Co; 1,000 cwt gingellyseed L Dreyfus and Co; 1,004 cwt rapeseed and 2 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

City of Glasgow s—202 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 2,000 cwt teelseed, Shaw Wallace and Co.

FOR HULL.

Othello s—11,000 cwts Myrabollams G Madhowji & Co; 7,350 cwts Myrabollams, A Khimji; 20 cwts coir yarn, V Hurridas 2,000 cwts cotton seed L Dreyfus and Co; 7878 cwts Cottonseed Ralli Bros; 4,000 cwts Cottonseed E D Sassoon & Co: 3,000 cwts cottonseed Volkart Bros.

FOR HAVRE.

Clan Macintosh s—220 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co; 2001 cwts groundnuts 201 cwts, mustard seed A Blascheck & Co 1,335 cwts poppyseed Societa C Italiana, 500 bales Cotton Ewart Latham & Co 1,058 cwts Myrabollams A Khimjee.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Senator s—4,002 cwts: Gingellyseed Jehangir Cama & Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Chupra s—330 bales cotton, 1,000 cwts castorseed, 500 cwts poppyseed and 13,400 cwts rapeseed, Ralli Bros; 8,000 cwts rapeseed, Shaw Wallace and Co; 2,070 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 4,000 cwts rapeseed, N Laloobhoy; 1,000 tons manganeseore, Schroder Smidt and Co; 110 bales cotton, Glade and Co; 17 bales twist, J A Begbie and Co; 2,038 cwts rapeseed, Worman and Co; 1,005 cwts myrabollams, H Govindji; 200 bales hemp, 1,000 tons manganesecre, Killick Nixon and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Gorjistan s—30 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 97 bales hemp, Ebjee Oomersey; 715 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 1,001 cwts myrabollams, G Madhowjee and Co; 8 cwts beeswax, S Bhimji; 750 cwts weedseed, Baner and Krause; 2,001 cwts castorseed, Jehangir Cama and Co: 5,000 cwts myrabollams, G Madhowji and Co.

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LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, APRIL 15.] [BOMBAY, APRIL 16.

FINANCIAL.

		Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2½ per cent.	Consols	87 1/8		1/16
1	do. Rentes	96 1/2	un	chgd
3½	do. Sterling Loan	101	un	chgd
3½	do. Govt. Securities	63 13/16	un	chgd
*Par	Silver in London	25 3/8		1/8
	Do. do. 2 months' hence	25 1/2		1/8
	Do. in New York	55		1/4
	Exchange on London at Paris	25·12 1/2		1/2
	Do. do do. Berlin.	20·44 1/2		1/4
	Do. do. do. New York.	4·87 1/8	un	chgd
Discount	Bank of England Rate.	3	since	19th March
	Do. Short London Bills.			1/8
	3 months' sight	2 3/4		
	Do. Indian Bank Bills.			
	Do. 6 months' sight	2 3/4	un	chgd
	Do. 3 Months' Fine Trade Bills	3 1/8	un	chgd
	Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills	3 1/4	un	chgd
Interest	Day-to-day Loans	2 1/8	un	chgd
	Do. 7-day Market Loans	2 3/8	un	chgd

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England £100,000 for France.
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate)...1/3 23.32.
* Closing tone of Silver—Dull.
At the Periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day for Rs. 10,00,000.
Rs. 20,000 were allotted to Bombay.
Rs. 30,000 were allotted to Madras.

Rs. 50,000 at 1s. 3 29/32d.
Total amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last Public Sale ... ...Rs. 3,80,000
Amount to be allotted next week ...Rs. 10,00,000

COTTON.

Liverpool :—

Spots	...	Easier with moderate demand.	
Futures	...	...	Quiet but Steady.
East Indian	...	...	Quiet.
Manchester	...	...	Dull.
Total Sales	...	...	7,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export		...	500
Imports	...	...	1,000
Mid-Americans	...	...	5·50 unchgd.
Egyptian F.G.F. Brown	...	...	7 9/16 "

Future Delivery Prices :—

Apl.-May.	May-June.	June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
5·03	5·03	5·03	5·02	4·97
—03	—04	—04	—03	—03
Spt.-Oct.	Oct-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	
4·92	4·89	4·86	4·85	
—03	—03	—04	—04	

New York :—

Receipts at U. S. Ports	...	11,000
Do. do. last year	...	21,000
Exports to Great Britain	...	.....
Do. to Continent	...	1,000

Spot Cotton—9·90 +10.

Futures—Month of May	8·46+11	Advanced on favorable cables and to spinners reported to be bidding more freely.
Do. do. July	9·07+12	

New Orleans :—

Spot Cotton—10 3/16+1/16
Futures—Month of May 9·51+10
Do. do. July 9·41+11
Closing Tone of Futures.—Firm.

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

F. G. F. Tinnevelly C. I. F. ...4 ⅛ sellers, April-May.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed—
Yellow Gujerat, per 416 lbs. 85o/o ex-ship 57 3/4 April-May—Antwerp—Sellers, Canal.
Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs. 85o/o per cent. ex-ship 57 1/4 April-May H. A. and D.—Sellers, Canal.
Brown Cawnpore, 51 April-May—Antwerp—Done-Canal.
Tone of Rapeseed.—Firmer.

Linseed :—
Bombay, per 416 lbs., ex-ship. 47 0/4 May-June.—Havre—Done, Canal.
Tone of Linseed—Firmer.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee :—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) 6 unchanged

Beef and Mutton Tallow :—
Finest Australian Beef Tallow ...31s.
" " Mutton Tallow ...34s.
General tone of Tallow Auction ...Firm.

SKIN SALES.

Sheep Skin Sale closed to-day—quiet and prices irregular.
Prime 1d. to 2d. lower.
Medium 1d. to 2d. lower.
Total sold 756,000.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE

Packages.	Value	From	Vessel.	Importer.
12 Boxes Rs	Rs. 24,000	Muscat	Dumra	Comptoir National
1 Parcel Silver..	8	London	Egypt	
1 Bundle Sovs ..	150	C Mandvie	Dumra	Mack Mackenzie & Co
Rupees	1,06 0			
6 Bundles Sovs...	2,737	Bagdad	Dumra	Sundry Importers.
Gold Coins .	1,384			
Rupees	13,900			

BOMBAY MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVENING.] [16TH APRIL, 1908.

FINANCIAL.

Bank Rates—
Bank of England ... 3 per cent. from 19th March.
Bank of Bengal ..... 7 per cent., " 26th "
Bank of Bombay..... 8 per cent. " 16th April,
Bank of Madras ..... 9 per cent. " 11th Feb,

Money :—
The Bank of Bombay have to-day raised their rate 1 per cent, thus making it 8 per cent. per annum. The Bank of Bengal balance is down Rs. 60 lacs.

Exchange :—
There has been little or no alteration in exchange quotations to-day, but if anything the market is probably firmer. The continued action of Government in selling, or rather offering to sell, half a million sterling every week on the Secretary of State is gradually using up the surplus funds in the hands of the Exchange Banks, and it is only a question of how long the Banks and Merchants will be satisfied to remit their balances at 1s. 3 29-32d. that the present situation can last. Obviously if there was a moderate supply of merchant's paper the Government's bills would be neglected and the market would settle down to normal conditions. Bills however are still scarce at 1s. 4 1-32d. 3 months' sight, but on the other hand there is not much enquiry for Bank bills.

Quotations are noted below.

T T. on London	... 1s. 3 27/32d.
Demand Draft	... 1s. 3 7/8d.
Credits—3 months' sight..	1s. 4 1/32d. to 1/16.
Do. 6 months'sight..	1s. 4 5/32d. to 3/16.
Do. 3 months'sight—France	168
Do. 3 months'sight—Marks	137 1/4
Hongkong—30 days' sight...	139
Yokohama—30 days' sight ...	151 3/4
Shanghai—30 days' sight ...	196

Government Paper.
The Market has scarcely felt the increase in the Bank of Bombay rate to 8 per cent. At opening to-day the quotations were 96 1-2 for cash and the settlement and there are small buyers at the close. Calcutta Market is advised steady at 96 3-4.

We quote :—

Cash	...	...	Rs. 96 8
1st Settlement	...	...	" 96 8

Bullion :—
Bar silver was advised firmer from London on Wedneday at 25 3/8 ready and 25 1/2 for two months delivery. New York closed 1/4 higher at 55. Locally the market opened at 66 3/16 ex duty for ready, but the Banks have selling bars to arrive, both from London and the Far East, with the result that quotations are easier at the close. Bar gold is steady.

We quote :—

English Bar Gold	...	...	Rs. a. p. 24 4 0	
Australian Bar Gold	...	...	24 3 0	
Bombay Bar Gold	...	...	24 1 0	
English Shield Sovereigns	...	...	15 3 0	
English Dragon Sovereigns	...	...	15 3 0	
Silver ex Duty—Ready	...	...	66 2 0	
Ditto 1st Settlement	...	...	65 9 0	
Ditto 2nd Settlement	...	...	65 1 0	

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay, for the last week, as compared with the previous one :—

Liabilities—	Increase. Rs.	Decrease Rs.
Public Deposits	.....	1,83,000
Other Deposits	.....	1,10,000
Sundries	64,000	.....
Assets—		
Government Securities	.....	20,000
Other Authorized Securities	.....	53,000
Credits on Govt. and other Authorized Securities	13,87,000	.....
Loans on Govt. and other Authorized Securities	55,000	.....
Bills Discounted and Purchased	7,47,000	.....
Bullion	.....	64,000
Balance with other Banks	.....	3,29,000
Sundries	72,000	.....
Cash	.....	20,26,000

Council Bills :—
At the Weekly Biddings on Wednesday last 10 lakhs was offered but only 50 lakh was allotted in Bills at 1s 3 29-32d. The total amount sold during the week ending on Tuesday last was 3·80 lakhs and the amount advertised for next week is again 10 lakhs.

The mail of the 3rd April brings £190,000 silver and £70,000 gold for Bombay, and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	... ...	Rs.	2,10,000
Bombay	... ...	"	30,000
Madras	... ...	"	1,80,000
Total...		Rs.	4,10,000

The mail of the 10th April brings £1,90,000 silver and £40,000 gold for Bombay, and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	... ...	Rs.	3,40,000
Bombay	... ...	"	30,000
Madras	... ...	"	nil.
Total...		Rs.	3,70,000

The mail of the 17th April brings £10,000 silver and £60,000 gold for Bombay, and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	... ...	Rs.	nil.
Bombay	... ...	"	20,000
Madras	... ...	"	40,000
Total...		Rs.	60,000

RECEIPTS OF COTTON INTO BOMBAY.

	Total for week.	Total since 1st Oct. 1907	Total same time last year
Khandeish ...	1,112	165,800	236,639
Central India ...	7,644	45,022	82,512
Barsee and Nuggur	2,529	53,800	155,750
Boars	3,050	259,417	498,934
Central Provinces	3,149	228,809	282,654
Total Comras...	12,574	832,747	1,219,498
Dholkra	3,974	73,510	161,937
Broach	13,224	116,458	178,870
Compta and Ishanwar.	8,350	63,688	32,...
Westerna	511	3,893	7,392
Bengals, N.-W.P. ...	1,050	307,671	445,237
Rajputana	426	21,708	57,186
Sind	344	37,135	23,83...
Persian	31	1,201	1,875
American	978	33,358	15,957
Egyptian	nil	4,089	1,158
Other Sorts	274	697	792
Totals...	41,776	1,505,943	2,141,515

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Bales 1907-08	Bales 1906-07.	Bales Difference.
Receipts from 10th to 15th April.	41,776	79,202	—37,426
Receipts from 1st Oct. to 15th April.	1,505,943	2,141,515	—635,572
Shipments from 10 to 15th April—			
Europe	19,822	33,553	—14,231
China	8,981	13,050	—4,069
Japan			
Coast Ports ...			
Total ...	28,803	46,603	—18,300
Total Shipments from 1st Oct to 15th April.			
Europe	407,107	709,922	—302,815
China	13,253	26,501	—13,248
Japan	230,029	410,178	—177,149
Coast Ports ...	21,793	35,417	—13,621
Total ...	675,182	1,182,018	—506,836
Afloat in Harbour—			
Europe	6,898	10,126	—3,728
China	1,020	22,418	—21,898
Japan			
Coast Ports			

Total Exports from Bombay by G. I. P Ry. from 1st October 1907 to 21th March 1908.—7,926 bales.
Total Exports from Bombay by B. B. & C. I. Ry. from 1st October to 31st Dec. 1907,—6,436 bales.

STOCK OF COTTON IN BOMBAY.

Stock on 1st October 1907.	378,000	bales.
Total Receipts, 1st October 1907 to 15th April 08.	1,505,943	"
	1,883,943	"
Total Exports from 1st October 1907 to 15th April 1908	675,182	"
	1,208,761	"
Afloat	8,418	"
	1,200,343	"
Estimated Mill Consumption and Up-Country by rail	608,000	"
Stock in all hands on 16th April 08.....	592,343	"

EXPORTS.

COTTON.

Market Report :—
Owing to the approaching Easter holidays the week under review has been a short one. In the Home markets the decline has continued, and has been more or less accentuated, New York having been the weakest market. It is useless to point to the statistical position as being a strong one, as whoever strong it may be, the fact remains that the market is in a weak and depressed condition. To-day's telegrams show some improvement in the American markets and the Liverpool opener this evening is firm and 6 points higher all round.

The Liverpool market will be closed to-morrow, Saturday, and Monday, and the American markets on Friday and Saturday.

The following is our usual weekly comparative table of prices in the Home markets as shown by the telegrams received here last Friday and to-day:—

Liverpool—	Last week.	This week.	Difference.
Spot ...	5·67	5·50	—·17
Futures, Apl-May. ...	5·19	5·03	—·16
Do. July-Aug ...	5·17	5·02	—·15
New York—			
Spot ...	9·95	9·90	—·05
Futures, May ...	9·33	8·98	—·37
Do. July ...	9·27	9·07	—·30
New Orleans—			
Spot ...	10 1/4	10 3/16	—1/16
Futures, May ...	9·69	9·51	—·18
Do. July ...	9·63	9·41	—·22

Locally, the chief feature in a depressing week has been the collapse in Broach, the price of which has declined Rs. 9 to Rs. 10 during the last few days. Arrivals of this description have been fairly large and with free offerings and only a small demand prices have sagged away. In other styles the decline has been from Rs. 4 to Rs. 6 per candy, while fine M. G. Bengals for May delivery have ruled fairly steady, and shows a drop of Re. 1 only. There has been little business of any description. Some settlements have been made, chiefly in Broach, and now and then there has been a small enquiry for May Bengals, but sellers are scarce. Exporters have been rather sellers than buyers during the week, but the bazaar has shown little inclination to operate either way.

In ready cotton the daily offtake has been poor. Bengals have been mostly in demand followed by Oomras, Broach and stapled descriptions. Rates are easier, and holders show more inclination to move stocks, but prices are still too high to attract buyers.

Receipts for the six days show some improvement on last week, but the total receipts to date as compared with last year are 636,000 bales short.

QUOTATIONS :—

	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach ...	250-1	May
Fine M G. Nagpur Kumpti	211	"
Fine M. G. Damangaum Pulgaon	204-5	"
Fine M. G. Khangaum Akola	200-1	"
Fine M. G. Amraoti ...	200-1	"
Fine M. G. Muttia ...	193	"
F. G. M. G. Khandeish ...	187-88	"
Fine M. G. Khandeish ...	193	"
Fine M. G. Bengals ...	183	"
Good Bagalkot Bijapur ...	211	"
Good Westerns	213	"
Good Saw Ginned Dharwar	234-5	"

NEW CROP.

	Rs.	Delivery.
Good M. G. Broach	244	March 09
Fine M. G. Khangaum Akola	206/7	January 09
F. G. M. G. Khandeish ...	191	" "
Fine M. G. Bengals ...	190/1	" "
F. G. H. G. Bengals ...	179	" "

Liverpool Opener :—

Opening Tone ...	...	Firm
Estimated Sales	...	6,000 bales
Total Imports	...	7,000 "

Future Delivery Prices :—

A.-M.	M.-J.	J.-J.	J.-A	A.-S
5·09	5·09	5·09	5·08	5·03
+·06	+·03	+·03	+·06	+·06
S.-O.	O.-N.	N.-D.	D. J.	
4·98	4·95	4·92	4·91	
+·06	+·05	+·06	+·06	

FREIGHTS.

The Market remains dull and chartering is at a standstill.

Some ready business has been done during the week for Hull, Antwerp, Dunkirk and Hamburg at 8s. 6d. whilst for May-June rates are quoted 10s. to 10s. 6d. p.p.; Havre and Hamburg 6d. extra.

Cargo still continues scarce, and the market closes, if anything, weaker.

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Produce into Bombay during the 6 days ended at 6 p.m. yesterday :—

Wheat	33,103	cwts.
Linseed	25,879	"
Rapeseed	70,381	"
Gingellyseed	8,394	"
Poppyseed	11,343	"
Groundnuts	3,544	"
Castorseed	37,050	"
Rice	104,753	"
Myrabollams	33,104	"
Cottonseed	67,426	"
Mowrassed	3,288	"
Gram	14,796	"
Joowar	8,547	"
Maize	138	"

MISCELLANEOUS.

LINSEED :—The market has ruled fairly steady during the week and prices have been well maintained. A moderate business has been done, and with a further improvement in the demand to complete this month's requirements for shipment we shall possibly see higher prices. We quote :—

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MODERN THOUGHT AND MR. MEREDITH'S POETRY.

WHETHER or not it be true, as some writers assert, that we are on the eve of a revolution in thought, it is certain that our bed-rock ideas have, recently, undergone a great change. Tradition is no longer our war-horse, but merely a pack-horse, whose load we critically examine and oft find wanting. We do not accept the ideas of former centuries as authorities for thought or action. We criticise all things, ourselves especially, in the light of the knowledge of the present. Science is our watchword and with her light we have left the shallows of superstition and have put out boldly into the ocean of knowledge. We have given up seeking signs from Heaven and have realized that no sign will be given us but the sign of the prophet Jonah. We are, like him, cast rudely back to Earth. We are at last beginning to comprehend the meaning of the Earth spirit, who, as Goethe said, plies at the roaring loom of Time and weaves for God the garment we see Him by. What Mr. Kipling in his latest poem calls the strife between Jubal and Tubal Cain has, year by year, become more acute.

Jubal sang of the wrath of God
And the curse of thistle and thorn—
But Tubal got him a pointed rod,
And scrabbled the earth for corn.

Like the sun at evening, we are coming down to earth, and the fields and the waters take golden colours. The tendency of our time is called "materialistic," but in this "materialism" we are discovering a "larger hope" than Tennyson dreamt of, and a more complete satisfaction than the saints imagined possible. "The grand power of poetry," said Mr. Matthew Arnold, "is its interpretative power; not a power of drawing out in black and white an explanation of the mystery of the universe, but the power of so dealing with things as to awaken in us a wonderfully new, full, and intimate sense of them, and of our relations with them. When the sense is awakened in us, as to objects without us, we feel ourselves to be in contact with the essential nature of those objects, to be no longer bewildered and oppressed by them, but to have their secret and to be in harmony with them." This power Mr. Meredith possesses in a marked degree. He puts us in harmony with our surroundings and allays that feeling of discontent, which was for so long supposed to be divine. Mr. Meredith has long been recognised as our greatest living novelist, but only now is his poetry finding an audience. This is partly due to the demand he makes on his readers. What he said of Carlyle's style applies in a measure to his own—especially in his poetry. "A style resembling early architecture or utter dilapidation; a wind-in-the-orchard style, that tumbles down here and there an appreciable fruit. All the pages in a breeze."

There are no stepping stones across the boisterous streams of Mr. Meredith's thought. He does not give us truth embodied in a tale. He speaks in parables and by the sweat of the brow we eat his bread. But they who will dig for his gold will find their labour well rewarded. Mr. Meredith's poetry is often not melodious—at times it is even clumsy and unmusical—as, for instance, in such a poem as "Earth's Preference." But as Emerson said, it is not metre, but a metre-making argument that produces fine poems, and of such Mr. Meredith has great store. Another reason of Mr. Meredith's poetry having been neglected is that his thought was in advance of his time. When Wordsworth was hymning the moral beauty of Nature and its power to "so feed us

With lofty thoughts, that neither evil tongues
Rash judgments, nor the sneers of selfish men,
Nor greetings where no kindness is, nor all
The dreary intercourse of daily life
Shall e'er prevail against us, or disturb
Our cheerful faith;—

when Wordsworth wrote in this strain, and the world applauded, who would listen to Mr. Meredith's *Earth's Secret*

Nor solitarily in fields we find
Earth's secret open, though one page is there:
Her plainest, such as children spell, and share
With bird and beast; raised letters for the blind.

In Mr. Meredith's view the secret is revealed to those

who hither thither fare,
Close interthreading nature with our kind,
They hearing History speak, of what men were
And have become, are wise.

Or again, compare the oft-quoted lines in the fifty-fifth stanza of Tennyson's *In Memoriam*—lines which gave expression to the most liberal thought of that time; compare therewith lines in Mr. Meredith's *Thrush in February*. The one poet, oppressed with all the weight of this unintelligible world, "faintly trusts the larger hope"; the other sits on that highest pinnacle of wisdom which sees that the world is well designed, and sings:

I keep the youth of souls who pitch
Their joy in this old heart of things,
Who feel the coming young as aye
Thrice hopeful on the ground we plough;
Alive for life, awake to die;
One voice to cheer the seedling now.

Instances could be multiplied, but these will suffice to show that while Wordsworth and Tennyson were the accepted interpreters of life's mysteries, Mr. Meredith was not likely to find a pulpit. He who the reckoning sums, says Mr. Meredith, finds nought in his hand but Earth. This is the keynote of Mr. Meredith's gospel. In Earth we find our inspiration. Earth's desires are for Man's happiness, for lastingness, for light.

'Tis she who kindles in his haunting night
The hoped dawn-rose.
If he aloft for aid
Imploring storms, her essence is the spur.
His cry to heaven is a cry to her
He would evade.
Not elsewhere can he tend.
Those are her rules which bid him wash foul sins;
Those her revulsions from the skull that grins
To ape his end.

May we not say that in this view, Mr. Meredith has heralded the advent of our new line of thought? Are we not beginning to have more confidence in Man and his work and his destiny, because we perceive that Earth is not against us but for us; stimulating, not hampering our efforts to get clear of selfishness and sorrow. In this view we shall not, as Wordsworth had it, "hope for higher raptures when life's day is done," but work for the fulfilment of greater joy here, now. The meaning of Earth, says Mr. Meredith, is

Glad eyes, frank hands and a fellowship real;
And laughter on lips, as the birds outburst
At the flooding of light.

Discontent, sorrow, and despondency have no place in the teaching of Earth. Joy is the grace we give to God for life.

For love we Earth, then serve we all.
Her mystic secret then is ours.
We fail, or view our treasures fall
Unclouded, as beholds her flowers
Earth from a night of frosty wreck.
Enrobed in morning's mounted fire,
When lowly, with a broken neck,
The crocus lays her cheek to mire.

And in continuation of this vision, so finely expressed, we have this other in the "Hymn to Colour":

The song had ceased; my vision with the song,
Then of those shadows, which one made descent
Beside me I knew not: but Life ere long
Came on me in the public ways and bent
Eyes deeper than of old; Death saw I too,
And saw the Dawn glow through.

This same splendid optimism characterises all Mr. Meredith's wisdom. It makes the grossest features of life radiant with healthiness. The Road to the Soul, he says, is the Real. Take, for instance, his views on Love, best summarised, perhaps, in what he says of his Diana of the Crossways, but elaborated in many splendid lines of his poetry. He says: "She gave him comprehension of the meaning of love; a word in many mouths, not often explained. With her, wound in his idea of her, he perceived it to signify a new start in our existence, a finer shoot of the tree stoutly planted in good gross earth, the senses running their live sap and the minds companioned and the spirits made by the whole natured conjunction." Here again, Earth is the mould which nourishes the finest fruits of life. We grope amid the teachings of the Sages for some sure foundation and stay. There is none, says the wisest of them,—Emerson,—but a strict and faithful dealing at home. Mr. Meredith gives this truth a worldwide significance when he says:—"Keep the young generations in hail and bequeath them no tumbled house." This, he adds, is the cry of the conscience of life. This is the sacred theme. This is the inveterate spur of the Innermost. Earth, our home, has no answer for the questions we ask as to our Whence and Whither, our How and Why. But one thing she does clearly show, namely, that whatever the Past may have been, and whatever the Future may have in stone for the individual, each can with satisfaction and with huge advantage to the young generations, sow good seed behind the plough to which he new puts his hand; because, while the sins of the fathers are visited on the children for three or four generations, innumerable generations will benefit by work well done. It is fine to love and serve one's neighbour, but surely still finer to love and serve those whom we know not, who are to reap in the fields that we have sown. Extracts cannot, of course, give a true or in any way a complete indication of an author's mind. These aspects of Mr. Meredith's philosophy will, however, show the lines on which he travels. And it must be admitted that these are the lines on which modern thought is travelling, lines which are characterised by sanity and commonsense. They tend towards firmer belief in the soundness of Earth and of ourselves, and in the nobility of our destiny; a greater complacency in Life and in Death; a joy deeper and more widespread,—towards these, and to the wish to serve,—to add something to the well being of mankind.

THE FEAST OF THE HINDU VENUS. THE day of the full moon of the present Hindu month of Chaitra is sacred to the goddess of prosperity and wealth, Lakhshmi, or as she is usually called Maha Lakhshmi, the epithet *Maha* signifying 'the great'. She is the consort of Vishnu the popular god of the Hindu trinity, just as Parvati is of the other god Shiv. Vishnu presides over the preservative aspect of creation just as Shiv over the destructive aspect. He is, therefore, agreeably to his nature, represented as a bright, cheerful deity, and not a gloomy god like the destroying Shiv. Everything connected with him happens when the moon is waxing bright in the heavens, just as the anniversaries of Shiv come off during the wane of the moon in the dark half of the month. Shiv was born on the darkest day of the month, the night immediately preceding the new moon of Fagun, in the coldest and most dreary month of Mah. Vishnu was born as the hero Ram on the ninth day of the bright moon of Chaitra, and this anniversary passed a few days ago last week. On a still brighter day, in fact the brightest day in the month, that of the full moon to-day, was born his bride Lakhshmi. The circumstances attending the birth of this goddess are very peculiar. Vishnu was once born as an immense tortoise after the great deluge which the Hindus, too, suppose to have formerly inundated the whole earth, in order to recover certain valuable things which were lost in that flood. The sea was churned violently by Vishnu in the incarnation of the Tortoise and made to yield up the treasures hid in its vast bottom. One by one fourteen inestimably valuable and typical objects emerged during this process, and one of these was the beautiful Lakhshmi who was thrown up on the earth with Chandra or the Moon, on this night when the moon is at the full and shining brightest. This is a beautiful fable signifying that womanly beauty and good fortune, of which, too, Lakhshmi is symbolical, are at first inaccessible, being hidden from ordinary mortals, and only come up after such Herculean labours as those of Vishnu churning the ocean with all his might. Only such labours are rewarded with such a lovely find. The Indian Pandit was right when he told Monier Williams that this allegory typified the truth that nothing valuable can be produced and obtained without extraordinary exertion. It is usually supposed that woman occupies a very low place in Hindu society. But this has not much warrant in their legend, such as this which makes lovely women like Lakhshmi very difficult of acquisition and consequently to be very highly prized. Lakhshmi is also taken as presiding over fertility and is invoked by women wanting children. She presides over good luck and every kind of prosperity and wealth. There are temples of this lucky goddess, Shri as she is called and Maha Lakhshmi, built in the most favourable situations, generally near the sea to remind us of its birth from the bottom of the ocean. She has such a temple in Bombay in the locality called after her, Maha Lakhshmi, commanding a very lovely view of the Arabian Sea. She has sometimes also temples on high hills, because when the sea was churned by Vishnu the mountain Mandur was used as a pivot round which the serpent Vasuki was twisted as a churning rod. Such a mountainous temple Maha Lakhshmi has on a high hill eighty miles north of Bombay, called by sailors St. Valentine's Head or Peak from its being a very prominent object visible to navigators along the coast from Bombay to Bulsar and Kattywar. These temples of Maha Lakhshmi hold the fair to the goddess on this full moon day when large concourses of peoples gather from all quarters. St. Valentine's Peak is nearly 1,600 feet high and its lofty top is almost inaccessible; yet the ministrant or *pujari* of the goddess Lakhshmi ascends to-day and plants the flag of the goddess on the hill top, to fly for all the year. He is said to have preternatural strength given by the goddess who guides and protects his steps up the steep way. He is generally believed to be possessed by the spirit of the goddess. The legend of Lakhshmi is very like the fable in Greek mythology of the origin of Venus or Aphrodite who is represented there as having sprung from the foam of the sea. The Hindu Lakhshmi is in many respects like the Greek Venus.

THE ORIGIN OF MAN. BY the last mail we received a small book entitled "Truth" which is, in fact, an appeal of an unusual sort. There must be few who have not given some study to Darwin's theory of the Origin of Species and to Haeckel's "Riddle." "Truth" is issued by Mr. H. M. Bernelot Moens, of 6 Leeghwaterstraat, Haarlem, Netherlands, and it asks for help to carry out in practice what Darwin taught in theory. Formerly most attempts to solve the riddle of creation have been deductive. Mr. Moens means to adopt constructive methods. To do what he wishes he will go to the Congo where he will carry out artificial breeding of anthropoid apes. An exhaustive system of cross-breeding will be followed. Can Mr. Moens find the link between man and anthropoid apes? That is the question he is asking himself, and it is one of profound interest. Already the Royal House of Belgium has given him hearty support, as, too, the French Government and the Paris Pasteur Institute, and the experiments will be watched with the greatest interest.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. "Egypt," with the homeward mails of the 11th instant, arrived at Aden at midnight on Wednesday the 15th April.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. "Arcadia," with the outward mails of the 10th instant, passed Suez at 1 a.m. on Thursday the 16th April.

THE Bank of Bombay yesterday raised its rate for demand loans on the security of Government Paper to eight per cent. per annum.

H. M. S. HYACINTH, under the command of Captain A. W. Heneage, R. N., sailed yesterday for the Persian Gulf, with Commodore Sir George Warrender on board.

THE Indian Tea Association in London, according to a London cablegram to the "Ceylon Observer," is sending a fresh appeal to Calcutta for funds to carry on a tea campaign in England to counteract the China tea compaign.

BALANCES held in cash in the Civil Treasuries of the Government of India and at credit of the Government in the Presidency Banks and their branches on the last day of:—March 1906, Rs. 17,67,22,000; March 1907, Rs. 15,49,24,000; and March 1908, Rs. 19,25,03,000.

A LOCAL weekly paper at Simla announces the engagement of Miss Stuart, daughter of Sir Harold Stuart, to Mr. Wheeler, Secretary of the Decentralisation Commission. Also of Miss E. Miller, daughter of the Hon'ble Mr. J. O. Miller, to Captain Robertson, lately A. D. C. to Sir Denzil Ibbetson.

THE negotiations regarding Tibet are still proceeding between the Government and Mr. Chung, the Chinese Commissioner. All the terms proposed in the Treaty have not yet been definitely settled, though the Tibetan members of the Mission, it is said, are anxious to go back to their country. It is not known how long the negotiations will drag on.

AMONG the passengers per Messageries Co's s s. "Caledonien" were six representative Indians for Lipton's Tea Pavilion shortly to be opened at the Franco-British Exhibition. These men have been engaged for the purpose of serving Tea to visitors to Lipton's Pavilion. Sir Thomas Lipton is Chairman of the Ceylon section in which the demonstration of the Tea Industry is also a leading feature.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending April 14, was 1,128, giving a death-rate of 58·65 per annum per thousand as against 66·63 the corresponding period of last year, and 96·56 the average over the past five years. Of the total number, 57 died from fevers; 393, plague; 54, small-pox; 33, measles; 1, cholera; 5, leprosy; 59, phthisis; 34, diseases of the nervous system; 189, affections of the respiratory organs; 42, diarrhœa; 22, dysentery; 25, still-born; 85, old-age and debility; 12, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 27; Brahmin, 34; Lingaet, 5; Bhattia, 7; Hindu of other caste, 540; Hindu low caste, 125; Musalman, 269; Parsee, 37; Jew, 1; Native Christian, 44; Eurasian, 6; European, 4; Negro-African, 3; Buddhist, 1. The total number of births was 317 as against 339 in the corresponding period of last year, and 366 the average over the past five years.

THE directors of the Paris paper "Le Journal" are offering a prise of £400 for the best symbolic statue of the French Republic of to-day. The figure with the Phrygian cap is considered out of date.

IT is announced that Generals Fock and Reiss have been requested to send in their papers and retire from the Army. General Reiss has complied with this invitation, but General Fock refused until a decision has been come to relative to his duel with General Smirnoff.

RUBIO, who won the Grand National Steeplechase, as a yearling was sold for 15 guineas. His present owner, Major F. Douglas-Pennant, purchased him for 95 guineas as a hunter, but he broke down, and was occasionally used in a hotel trap.

SIR John Hare relates, in the "Strand Magazine," that Charles Kean, not having been informed until afterwards that a distinguished person had been a member of his audience, sent for his acting manager in front of the house and reproved him for the oversight. His representative excused himself, and ended by saying that it was difficult to know what Mr. Kean meant by "distinguished." "Sir," said Kean, in a lordly and magnificent manner, speaking slowly, with deep dignity, and through his nose, "the Archbishop of Canterbury is a distinguished person; Mr. Gladstone is a distinguished person; I am a distinguished person!"

UNDER THE SOUTHERN CROSS.

THE NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Presentation to Lady Northcote.

QUEENSLAND PARLIAMENTARY SQUABBLES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

*MELBOURNE, MARCH 30.

The appointment of the Earl of Dudley to the position of Governor-General of the Commonwealth has given great satisfaction throughout Australia. The post has been filled from the very first by men who have added lustre to the distinguished office, and the names of Linlithgow, Tennyson, and Northcote will always be mentioned with honour. Too much importance observes the Adelaide "Chronicle" cannot be attached to the selection of a representative of his Majesty the King in the great outposts of the Empire. Especially is this the case when the highest office in Federated Australia is involved. Lord Dudley appears to possess all the qualities which unite to equip a popular and successful Governor. He is a gentleman of many excellent attributes, and his training in the different public offices he has held will be of great advantage to him in the responsible position which he has been called upon to fill. None but the first-rank men in the service of the Empire can adequately perform the duties here required of him, which demand resourcefulness, tact, and versatility in a high degree. These the Earl of Dudley has already manifested, and the opinion expressed in England that the appointment is an excellent one will be endorsed in Australia. His lordship is in the prime of life, and has a record which justifies the highest possible expectations in respect to his official and social career in Australia. In South Africa he proved his patriotism as a member of the staff of Earl Roberts, in which capacity his services secured for him well-earned recognition. As Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade in the Salisbury Government, he gained useful experience, but it was as Viceroy in Ireland that he had the fullest opportunities for displaying his ability. He discharged the difficult and onerous duties of that post with such skill that he secured the good-will of all parties. Travel has added to his knowledge of the different parts of the Empire, and he has had ample means of making himself acquainted with men and their works in diverse countries. In Australia the opportunity will not be wanting for the display of the social qualities which have done much to establish Lord Dudley's popularity in Great Britain and Ireland. His accomplished and charming wife, whose amiable character won for her golden opinions in Ireland, will receive as cordial a welcome to the Commonwealth as that which is certain to be extended to her husband. In a country like Australia, where women have political privileges and influence almost equal to those of the men, the personality of the Governor-General's wife is as much a matter of interest as his own, and it is good to know that in Lady Dudley Australia will have an ideal leader of society and an exemplar of all the domestic virtues.

PRESENTATION TO LADY NORTHCOTE.

Something in the nature of a surprise party was given to her Excellency Lady Northcote at Government House the other day. The public is well acquainted with the fact that the Exhibition of Women's Work owed everything to the interest taken in it by Lady Northcote. From start to finish she worked for it with unflagging interest, even visiting the more distant States in order to further the success of the movement. That some recognition of her zeal should be accorded her has for months been the desire of the ladies associated with her in the organising of one of the most remarkable exhibitions ever held. After much thought it was finally decided to present her with a souvenir book—a work written, printed, illustrated and bound by women. The members of Lady Talbot's committee, as well as those who had contributed to the book, assembled at Government-House, when Lady Talbot, in a happy little speech, made the presentation. Lady Northcote replied in equally happy vein. She assured those present that no one had enjoyed working for the exhibition more heartily than she had done. Her assurance that she was getting more praise than her due were vehemently negatived by the company, the really hard work she has done being best recognised by those who have worked with her.

The souvenir book is a specially satisfactory piece of work. Miss Ina Higgins is accountable for much of the reading matter, the printing has been admirably done by Mrs. Stone, and the binding, in green morocco, is an admirable example of Miss Chapman's work. The cover shows a design in eucalyptus leaves as a heading. Lady Northcote's initials being set below. Miss Ida Rentoul, Miss Sutherland, Miss Riggall, Miss Irvine and Mrs. Arthur Boyd are among the artist whose work has been most successfully reproduced. Among the photographs which also illustrate the volume is some good work by Mrs. W. Smith. Besides a history of the exhibition, the book contains the signatures of members of committee. It forms in every way a most satisfactory memento and Lady Northcote left no doubt in the minds of yesterday's visitors that the offering was very keenly appreciated. After the presentation afternoon tea was served, an hour or so being subsequently spent in discussing matters connected with the exhibition. The rug presented to Lady Northcote by the women of New South Wales was laid in the entrance hall, the screen presented to her by the Chinese ambassador being also in evidence.

LANDS ADMINISTRATION.

A lamentable lack of executive ability is displayed in the attitude of the Government upon the subject of land settlement. In our recent articles on the subject the urgent need for the thorough reorganisation of the Lands department was clearly shown, but the Minister of Lands declines either to attempt to justify the existing position or to indicate what he proposes to do in order to remedy the present deplorable condition of affairs. He is following the usual practice of the members of the Bent Government of simply ducking his head when a storm of criticism arises, in the hope that if he says nothing the matter will be forgotten, and the Lands department will be allowed to follow its peaceful and useless routine. Although passive resistance may for a time delay progress in land settlement, it cannot stop it altogether, and if Mr. Mackey disappoints the promise of his past political life by becoming the tool of Lands department officialdom instead of its master, his tenure of office is not likely to be long.

An inconsequential reference was made by the Premier yesterday to the "Age" articles upon reform in lands administration. Mr. Bent said:—"I see 'The Age' says my back is not stiff enough on the land question, but if the writer of the articles will come up here and show me what is to be done he will find that my back is stiff enough for that or anything else. We are preparing to settle a large area of what is called the mallee, but which is not mallee, but good pine country. I have told the officers of the Lands department in making the survey to provide for towns. I have been told by Mr. Hagelthorn, M.L.C., that if we could give a title to land in the disputed territory it would fetch £4, 10 per acre. I am sure we are doing just as much as the writer of the articles could do. We are not buying land. To buy 40,000 acres of land would mean half a million of money. We are arranging to transfer a lot of Crown land to the Closer Settlement Board. We are having consultations with the Lands, Mines and Forests departments to see what land can be released from the reserves. As land is increasing in value everybody is rushing for it, and because they want it from the Government they think they should have it for nothing."

THE COMING OF THE IMMIGRANT.

The Premier (Mr. Moore) last week despatched the following letter to the Prime Minister on the subject of the encouragement of immigration:—"Sir,—With reference to your circular-letters of December 24 and February 5, on the subject of the Commonwealth Government undertaking a scheme for making the resources of Australia more widely known abroad and asking to be informed as to what has been, or is being done in the direction of advertising Western Australia, I now have the honour to attach hereto a brief summary of the efforts of this Government in that connection. A copy of a minute by the Under-Secretary of Lands accompanies this statement, setting out in detail the advertising referred to in such summary. "I also attach copy of a return showing reserve set apart for subdivision before survey and surveyed since January, 1905, from which it will be seen that some 605,441 acres of land have been so set apart, and that 294,100 acres of these areas are still available for selection under Parts V. and VIII. of the Lands Act, and, with the exception of those marked; with a cross are only for those who do not hold more than 160 acres of land in the State; so it may be said that they are provided for new arrivals. But they are not being exclusively reserved for such any person having the requisite qualifications being allowed to select. The lithographs enclosed with this letter show in blue the whole of the areas that have been classified to date, and from which suitable lots could be selected for immigrants. "From the attached summary previously referred to, you will be able to form a good opinion of what has been and is being done by this Government, and our Agent-General has instructions to confine his efforts to persons possessing a certain amount of capital, and who are desirous of acquiring land, or who have had some experience in agricultural matters, and would therefore be the most desirable class of settlers. Arrangements are being made for the appointment of an officer, who has local knowledge and special qualifications for superintending this work in the old country, whilst, during the course of the Franco-British Exhibition, advantage will be taken of the opportunity of bringing under the direct notice of intending immigrants the knowledge and experience gained by several of our most successful settlers, who will be visiting England during the course of the next few months. "Replying to paragraph 3 of your letter of December 24 last I am of opinion that your Government could, in a general way do very much towards making known the many advantages which Australia has to offer as a field for immigration, at the same time directing the inquirers and prospective settlers to the representatives of the State Governments in London, in order that they might there receive whatever detailed information is required, and which I feel sure you will realise can best be given by an official State representative. "Under separate cover I am forwarding to you two copies each of ten official publications dealing with the conditions of land settlement, land selection, etc., to which reference has been previously made in this letter. These publications will give you an idea of the character of the literature distributed by this Government on the subject under notice."

QUEENSLAND PARLIAMENT.

In the Brisbane, Legislative Assembly the Attorney-General, in moving the second reading of the Constitution Act Amendment Bill, said it was introduced in order that the will of the people should be supreme. Disputes had arisen between the two branches of the Legislature, and the bill would pave the way for the passage of such a measure as would prevent a recurrence of such disputes. If the measure were not passed by the Council it would be incumbent upon the Government to take other steps. If a Constitution Referendum Bill were introduced at the constitution stood, it would require a two-thirds majority in each Chamber. While they might obtain such a majority in the Assembly, it would be difficult to do so in the Council. If it were necessary to secure a two-thirds majority in the Council, the Government would not hesitate to appoint sufficient men to that Chamber to ensure the will of the people being carried out. It was not deemed advisable to take such extreme steps, therefore the Government had adopted a more simple method. Mr Blair explained that the amendment, as granted in 1859, empowered the Legislature to alter or repeal any or all of the provisions contained in it, but the proviso relating to a two-thirds majority had been inserted by the Queensland Parliament in 1867, and the Government simply proposed to put the constitution in its original form. Mr. Philp said an alteration of the constitution should not be encouraged. He urged members to carefully consider the matter before it placed such a measure on the statute book. Mr. Kidston said that what the Queensland Parliament could do it could undo. They should have complete control of their own business. The second reading was carried on the voices.

JAVA.

In a conversation a representative had on Tuesday with Mr. J. Wilkinson, who recently returned from Java and Borneo, that gentleman strongly urged that South Australian merchants ought to do more to secure a share of the immense trade which is possible with Java and other islands of the East Indian Archipelago. "There is a wide and ever increasing market there for the products of South Australia," he observed, "such as butter, bacon, ham, and so forth. I notice that the business people of Sydney and Melbourne are waking up to the importance of the trade, and it is a great pity that Adelaide dealers have not got a finger in the pie. I am referring to the trade with Java principally, but it would radiate from that place, and the fine productions of the State would soon find buyers in all of the busy and thickly populated islands. There are, I understand, about 31 millions of people in Java. Think what it would be to win a trade which would mean supplying the requirements of that vast population. They are heavy consumers of the articles mentioned. Flour, too, is in great demand. Java grows all kinds of tropical products, such as sugar, tea, coffee, tapioca, quinine, rice, and although the population is so large the unemployed question never crops up. The whole of the islands of the Archipelago are interesting from every point of view. The Dutch method of colonisation is most effective. They keep the natives under stern rule, and evidently understand the question of colonisation well. There was one thing I noticed particularly which distinguishes the Dutch from the English methods. When England takes a country the first idea is to teach the natives to speak the English language, but the Dutch adopt the opposite policy. They want the natives to stick to their own tongue, to the Dutchman learns the language, and this prevents difficulties which would otherwise arise. It might be an advantage to some people who would like to take a trip to the Archipelago to know that it costs only £21 to go from Fremantle to Java and back, and that it can be done in two months from Adelaide."

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT.

On Saturday a mass meeting of Melbourne University students was held on the University Oval. About 300 students attended, among them being a strong party of girls, who were greeted with loud cheers. Only one lady spoke, however, and her remarks were brief and dignified. No time was lost in proceeding to appoint a chairman.

By popular acclaim a fluent and decidedly humorous speaker was installed in the position. "Brother heroes," he began, to the accompaniment of ringing cheers and great laughter, "you all know that we are here to obtain an expression of opinion as to what our course of action should be in connection with the commencement ceremonies. We have been treated, so to speak, as a lot of little children. (Hear, hear.) This meeting is called to hear someone give vent to his opinion. With these few remarks, gentlemen, fire away." A student moved—"That we pledge ourselves, as a body of students, to absent ourselves from the commencement, and take steps to see that no one does attend." He explained that the preventive measures he advocated were for before and not for after the commencement. "Tickets are to be given out," he added, "and we ought all to go and get them. Then they should be torn up and made a bon-fire of. (Laughter and cheers.) Persuasion should be used with students, and if anyone does go that can be left to the various societies. If a fellow has so little manliness as to go after being spoken to by representative men of his year let him go, but let the students deal with him afterwards in an unofficial way." (Laughter.) The motion was divided, and there was a great show of hands in favour of the first part. An inquiry by the chairman whether "anyone was base enough to vote against it" met with no response, and the motion was carried unanimously amid loud cheers. In reference to the second part of the resolution, the mover said that he had been informed that what was suggested had already been done.

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CANON CROSSHAW has presented a dog at West Houghton, near Bolton, with a silver collar, inscribed "Faithful unto Death," for rare fidelity to its owner, who was recently drowned. The animal, a black spaniel, stood by the scene of the accident watching the pond all night with its paws on its master's cap. The collar was the gift of a London lady, who takes a k

POLITICS AT HOME.

THE MANCHESTER CONTEST.

Strange Partisanships.

THE WEST DERBY ELECTION.

LORD TWEEDMOUTH AND THE ADMIRALTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 16.

The bye-election in North-West Manchester is being most strenuously contested.

Mr. Lloyd-George, Dr. Macnamara, and Mr. Masterman are helping Mr. Churchill.

The "Jewish Chronicle" and the "Manchester Catholic Herald" urge the Jews and Irish to support Mr. Churchill.

LONDON, APRIL 15.

Lord Kerry has been returned for West Derbyshire, unopposed, in the place of the Right Hon'ble Victor Cavendish, now Duke of Devonshire.

Mr. Redmond, speaking at Dublin, said the change in the Government involved an alteration in the attitude of the Irish Party towards the Liberal Party. He did not think the Irish in Manchester could vote for Mr. Winston Churchill.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

Lord Tweedmouth, speaking at the Brittania Naval College, said that it had been a heavy blow to him to leave the Admiralty, but Mr. Asquith was strongly of opinion that the heads of the great spending departments should sit in the House of Commons.

THE INDIAN GOLD STANDARD.

Is a Committee of Enquiry Necessary?

LONDON, APRIL 16.

Speaking at the meeting of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, Mr. Ross, Secretary of the Indian Currency Commission, urged the Indian Banks to join with the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, in advocating the appointment of a Committee upon the Gold Standard.

The Chairman, in reply, said he thought the appointment of a Committee at present might spread doubts regarding the stability of the rupee which, he was confident, the Government of India would never allow to be undermined.

Nevertheless he said it would be advantageous thoroughly to thresh the matter out.

THE UNITED STATE'S NAVY.

President's Scheme Approved.

LONDON, APRIL 16

A despatch from Washington states, that the House of Representatives rejected by 190 votes against 70, amid cheers, an Amendment to the Navy Appropriation Bill, providing for four battleships instead of two, after the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee had pointed out the danger to the Treasury which this enormous increase of expenditure would involve.

THE AUSTRIAN EMPEROR'S JUBILEE.

Huge Royal Gathering Expected.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

It is stated in Vienna that King Edward, President Fallieres, the Kaiser, the King of Denmark and the majority of the German reigning princes, will attend the Jubilee of the Emperor Francis Joseph in June.

SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN.

Visited by the Prince of Wales.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

The Prince of Wales called upon Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman yesterday.

THE SHIPBUILDERS' STRIKE.

General Lock-out Threatened.

LONDON, APRIL 15.

The employes have notified to the Tyne shipbuilders that unless they resume work by the 25th instant, all the yards in Great Britain will be closed.

NEW BAYONET FOR THE ARMY.

Japanese Pattern Adopted.

LONDON, APRIL 15.

The War Office has ordered 55,000 of the Japanese type of bayonet which the Army Council lately adopted.

The bayonet is three inches longer than the present British bayonet and very effective.

THE AMUR RAILWAY.

LONDON, APRIL 15.

The Russian Duma has read the Amur Railway Bill a second time.

PRINCE VON BULOW IN ROME.

Visits to the Pope and King.

LONDON, APRIL 15.

Prince von Bulow and his wife dined last night with King Victor Emanuel.

Prince von Bulow to-day had an audience of one hour with the Pope, who said that he hoped that the Chancellor's Conference with Cardinal Merry del Val would result in a settlement of the Catholic questions pending in Germany.

CRICKET NEWS.

LONDON, APRIL 15.

South Africa has accepted the proposal for a triangular cricket tournament.

THE AMERICAN PACIFIC FLEET.

Reaches California.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 16.

The American fleet has reached San Diego where it met with an immense reception from the Californians.

The Governor, Mr. Gillett, in welcoming the fleet, said America must be ready to fulfil her mission in the Pacific where the greatest naval battles of the world would eventually be fought.

THE CONGO QUESTION.

Debate in the Belgian Chamber.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

The Belgian Chamber yesterday began the debate on the Congo, covering the whole question of annexation, the treaty with King Leopold, and the future administration of the country.

The Premier appealed to the patriotism of the Chamber to effect a final settlement.

ORIENTAL IMMIGRATION.

Lord Ampthill's Views.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

Lord Ampthill, in a long letter to the "Times," urges the importance of discussing Oriental immigration as an Imperial problem of the first magnitude. A discussion, he says, whether by Conference or otherwise, would render it possible to persuade the Colonists and Asiatics that economic necessity and not racial prejudice was at the root of the difficulty, and would reduce animosity on both sides.

THE "HOHENZOLLERN."

Total Loss Feared.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

The stranded liner the "Hohenzollern" is being dismantled, and it is feared that she will become a total loss.

The passengers and part of the cargo have proceeded to Alexandria on board the "Therapia."

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONVENTION.

The Ameer's Assent Still not Received.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

Mr. Morley, in a written reply to Mr. Anstruther-Grey, says that the Ameer's assent to the Anglo Russian Convention has still not been received.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, APRIL 16.

The death has occurred of Mr. Henry Bird, the Statistician and Chess-player.

ULSOOR MURDER SEQUEL.

Trial at the Sessions.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, APRIL 16.

At the Madras High Court to-day, before Mr. Justice Saukaran Nair, J. Keen Haudin, Sub-Inspector, Banglore City Police, pleaded not guilty to indictments charging him with abetment of culpable homicide amounting to murder, causing the disappearance of evidence, etc., on or about 11th June 1907. The prosecution was conducted by the Crown Prosecutor assisted by Mr. B. W. Lawrence, of Bangalore, while Mr C. F. Napier, instructed by Messrs. Short and Lewes, represented the accused.

Mr. Napier claimed on behalf of accused a mixed special jury.

The Crown Prosecutor, in opening the case, said the accused was being tried in this Court because he claimed to be a European British subject, and the claim was admitted. Consequently the First Assistant Resident of Mysore, who held a preliminary enquiry, committed him to this Court. The case against the accused was based wholly upon the evidence of three persons who were themselves now convicts,—in fact, under sentence of death,—mainly upon evidence of one of them, Bapu Rao. The Crown Prosecutor proceeded to recapitulate Bapu's story, details of which have already been published.

Bapu was examined by Mr. Lawrence, and on being cross-examined by Mr. Napier, the foreman of the jury said the jury were unanimously of opinion that witness's evidence was unreliable and contradictory.

The Judge having asked for a verdict, the jury brought in a verdict of "Not Guilty" on all counts, the accused was discharged.

ARMY HEALTH STATISTICS.

Lowest on Record.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

In February last, attention was drawn to the marked decrease that had occurred is enteric fever, malaria, and certain other diseases amongst the British Troops serving in India during 1907. Now that complete statistics are available, it is satisfactory to observe that the admission and death rate are the lowest on record, the former being 856·4 and the latter 8·15 per 1,000, as compared with 871 and 10·43 per 1,000, respectively, in 1906. As regards invaliding, the figures are still more encouraging: in the Trooping Season of 1906-07 there were sent under this category to England 2,015 men and 75 insanes, while during the Trooping Season of 1907-1908, just closed, the figures were 1,097 men and 68 insanes, or a decrease of 1,015. There were also 126 fewer women sent home as invalids; and as their husbands usually accompany them, the nett gain to the Army serving out here has been over 1,100 men. An experiment was tried last cold weather of sending weakly men to the hills, which possess an unrivalled climate in the winter months, and the results have been, on the whole, most satisfactory.

BURMA RAILWAYS.

Dissatisfaction among the Staff.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, APRIL 16.

There are persistent rumours here of impending trouble amongst some drivers and guards employed on the Burma railways, who are dissatisfied with the treatment they are receiving. There was some talk of a strike taking place, but so far the rumour has proved groundless and it is possible matters will be satisfactorily settled.

THE TELEGRAPH TROUBLES.

Meeting in Calcutta To-morrow.

The situation in Bombay remains the same. The men are still holding out and awaiting a reply from the General Secretary to the Indian Telegraph Association, who arrived in Calcutta yesterday, and who is to preside at a meeting of the signallers which has been arranged for to-morrow. Much depends on the line of conduct which will be adopted. The Government has offered improved scale of pay to the men from 1st July next. If the signallers, after this, return to duty and give a trial to the Newlands system and allow the Committee fair chance to report, they will not have alienated the sympathy of the public. If they continue stubborn they will lose all chance of consideration from Government, of their grievances.

The congestion at the Central Office has been relieved a little, and deferred messages were accepted from yesterday. The local sub-offices, however, are still closed.

SHORTER SUNDAY HOURS.

The Bombay Chamber of Commerce has written as follows to the Secretary in the Department of Commerce and Industry.—

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of Government of India Resolution No. 3252—3288—3, dated Calcutta the 27th March 1908.

2. My Committee are in accord with the Government of India in considering it desirable that the existing Sunday hours in the Indian Telegraph Office should be reduced as far as possible.

3. In pursuance of this idea they agree to the Government proposals, with the following modifications:—

(a). That in places where there is more than one office, all offices except the principal one should ordinarily be closed, but that, in the case of a few of the largest towns, one or two of the minor offices which serve outlying localities should also be open for short periods.

(b). That first class offices should remain open from 0 hours to 0 hours as at present, except when the office is in a place where there is more than one office, and is not itself the principal office.

(c) That all second class offices without exception should be open for two hours (7 to 9) in the morning and two hours (16 to 18) in the evening.

(d) That all third class offices without exception should be open for one hour (7 to 8) in the morning and one hour (16 to 17) in the evening.

(e) And, lastly, that on Sundays and the four chief holidays, viz., Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday, and King's Birthday, inland telegrams of the lowest rates, at present known as deferred, should not be accepted for transmission

The following notice was issued yesterday by the Bombay Office:—The public are hereby informed that telegrams of all classes "urgent" "ordinary" and "deferred" will now be accepted for all stations except for those in Burma.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 16.

Mr. Barton, Secretary, Indian Telegraph Association, arrived here from Rangoon to-day, and arrangements are being made for a meeting to be held on Saturday.

The "Statesman" this morning advises the signallers to give the new scheme of hours a fair trial, especially having regard to the announcement of an improved scale of pay.

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

Close upon four hundred Postal Signallers are now working in the principal Telegraph Offices in India in relief of the strikers. Forty-one have been supplied to the Rangoon Office, where, however, they have not all been wanted, as so many Military Signallers have been available. Eighteen have gone to Mandalay, and smaller detachments to Bassein, Henzada, Prome, and Toungoo. The combined offices in Upper Burma are also being kept open, and it is expected to re-open local combined offices in Rangoon to-day.

BURMA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, APRIL 16.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Burma has telegraphed from Maymyo that he does not propose to take action in the manner suggested at the Y. M. C. A. meeting of telegraph signallers held on Saturday, to intervene in the men's behalf.

Strange to say, Dr. Pedley, who presided at Saturday's meeting of the telegraph men, sent a letter to the Secretary of the India Telegraph Association, Rangoon branch, advising the men to return to duty. The men decline to do anything of the kind and are still holding out and are awaiting developments in India, where Mr. H. Barton, General Secretary, is at present.

Only urgent messages are being accepted for India. The Revenue Secretary to the Burma Government has replied to the Burma Chamber of Commerce in furtherance of his message that the Chamber's representations concerning the loss occasioned by the telegraph strike had been repeated to the Government of India and that the Government of India refer to their definite pronouncement on the present situation in the Telegraph Department, made in reply to the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, details of which have appeared in the Press, and intimated that Government insist on a fair trial being given to the new hours of duty.

The telegraph situation here do-day is more or less unchanged.

DARING DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, APRIL 16.

Major Dyson, Royal Scots, who was travelling from Deolali to Poona *via* Kalyan on Wednesday last, had a sensational encounter at Kalyan Station. It appears that he was just dozing in his compartment when a native entered and attempted to get away with his hand-bag containing valuables. Major Dyson saw the man clearing out with his bag and sprang at him. He managed to seize him by the arm and to wrench the bag away, but the thief was too clever for him. He wriggled out of the Major's grasp and dodged through the crowd on the platform; but it is not improbable that he will be arrested in course of time. It was a most daring attempt at robbery and it is inconceivable that the man should have evaded arrest in spite of Major Dyson shouting for police assistance while he held the villain.

THE RECENT BURGLARY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, APRIL 16.

The Cantonment Magistrate has fixed the hearing of the case against Ah Shain, the Chinese burglar shot by the wife of Captain Bushe, for the 21st instant.

THE SIMLA A. D. C.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

The Simla Amateur Dramatic Club are staging "Niobe" in the second week in May and "Raffles" at the end of that month. The first musical play will be of "Miss Hook of Holland" in June.

BILLS ON LONDON.

The following is the result of the allotment of Bills on London made by the Comptroller General on Thursday the 16th April, 1908:—

Aggregate amount tendered	£441,000
Total amount accepted	£441,000

THE Austrian Lloyd's s.s. "Africa," from Bombay 1st inst, arrived at Trieste on the afternoon of the 15th instant. The same Co's. s.s. "China," from Bombay, arrived at Hongkong on the morning of the 16th instant, and the s. s. "Vorwaerts," from Japan, left Colombo on the morning of the 16th and is due here on the evening of the 19th instant.

CURRENT TOPICS.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

[BY A FREE LANCE.]

THE HOT WEATHER. The principal topic at the present moment is the approach of the hot weather. People deal with it in different ways. Some pack their belongings up and step on board the mail steamer; others stop on in Bombay, and a very large number betake themselves to the hills. Of course the first is undoubtedly the most pleasant way of solving the problem, but it has its drawbacks. It means expense and money, and the letting of one's flat or bungalow, if that be possible. A good deal also depends on whether one does or does not draw pay when at home. But if these little difficulties can be surmounted, then it is undoubtedly the best thing to do. People who say they prefer a hill station during the hot weather to England may be put on the same platform as those who say they came to India for altruistic reasons. Of course if you are a slave, you can only go home when you have leave due to you; but I think on the whole it is better to be a slave with good leave rules than an independent individual with none. I speak feelingly on the point as I belong to the latter class, and I think on the whole I would rather be a slave as my I.C.S. friends and those engaged in commercial pursuits are. Be that as it may, the best place to spend the hot weather in is England. So go to England, if you can, and have a real good time, even if you do come back temporarily broke. It would be so easy if only any one would carry us home cheap, but none will, not even that philanthropic institution, the P. and O.

CHEAP PASSAGE MOVEMENT. This leads me to remark that the Anti-P. and O. crusade started nearly a year ago by Colonel Foreman, R.A.M.C., does not seem to have done much. Very few sane people thought that it would, because it seemed to be founded on an entire disregard of the principles of competition and of supply and demand. I merely mention it because as it has not been heard of for some months one may, in the language of the courts, presume its death. It seems a pity it is dead. One cannot help regretting that no powerful syndicate sees its way to compete with the P. and O. for the Indian passenger traffic. We should get such nice cheap fast passages then. But alas! no one seems a bit keen about it. I almost believe that if 5,000 Anglo-Indians bound themselves always to travel to and from India by a particular line, that line ought to be able to take them home comfortably and quickly for 1st class Rs. 600 and 2nd Rs. 400. I also believe that a line with such backing ought to be able to compete successfully with the P. and O. for the Mail Contract. But then the P. and O. have just secured that contract, for how many years is it? In my opinion the only people who can do it are Government. But Government build its own passenger and mail ships. Let it deduct from each Government servant's pay so much for passage money. Let it also accept from persons other than Government servants so much per mensem towards their passage money and then I believe we should be able to get home cheaply, quickly, and comfortably, and be no losers. So much of the deposit money as was not used for passages would, of course, be returned to the depositor with reasonable interest. I have never heard this scheme suggested before and no doubt any amount of holes might be picked in it, but at the moment I confess I don't see where. It would, of course, be Government competing against private enterprise, but so long as it is for the general welfare I do not see that that need stand in the way. I recommend the scheme to Colonel Forman and his friends and I suggest parliamentary action as the only way. If the British Government can take me and other Anglo-Indians home for two-thirds of what the P. and O. charge and be no loser over the transaction, then I think the B. G. should do so at once. Of course it is a pretty big if, but I can't help thinking it might be done. Either that or a steamship war, is what we want.

THE BANDMANN COMPANY. It is with very great regret that I hear that Mr. Bandmann's Comedy Company has been having but poor houses at the theatre. This particular Company has had no more strenuous supporter than myself in the past and in particular I have frequently taken up my pen to praise the histrionic ability of Miss Hamor. Whatever else happens, I hope that this is not the last time I shall have the pleasure of seeing that talented lady act. Another member of the Company I shall not forget is Miss Helen Grenville, whose freshness and charm are very delightful to see. Mr. King is very good in some parts, notably in Raffles, but I not care about him too much of a tendency to dally with his handkerchief and toy with the back of his head. For the rest the Company was of good average ability and well worth seeing. That it has not had good houses on this visit is in no way its fault. I hear it said that Mr. Bandmann is so disgusted with Bombay that he would gladly leave it out of his Eastern Theatrical ventures. That is, of course, entirely Mr. Bandmann's own affair. One may, however, be permitted to point out that Mr. Bandmann has very largely himself to blame if he has not of late scored a success in Bombay. I remember when the previous opera company first came here in May to Baliwala's old Theatre and had crowded houses every night. That was the time there was much talk of building theatres and large theatrical ventures. The same company was almost equally successful in the autumn. Then Mr. Bandmann made his first mistake. He brought out Christmas a year ago a comic opera company and let them play to the Bombay public a number of comic operas, which they had practically not rehearsed. Not only that, but the company was without a first class comedian, a defect which was seen and remedied by the re-call of the altogether delightful Mr. Harry Cole.

Both the opera and the comedy company have suffered very seriously from this big initial mistake. However great your success may be, you cannot afford to trade upon it. With regard to the present comedy company I think another serious mistake has been made. They put on far too many pieces and some of them rotten ones. I shall instance the "Christian." That piece is one may find and has found an audience in London—more's the pity! But how any sane man could imagine that it would appeal to the Bombay public I cannot think. It is the essence of vulgarity and claptrap. It would surely be far better if the Company were to play only about half a dozen really good pieces and give the go-bye to faded chestnuts and meretricious novelties. Then another ground of complaint the Bombay public has against Mr. Bandmann is that April, May, June and October are by no means months in which the theatre is a desirable place in this town. It has always seemed to me that Mr. Bandmann lacks a sound adviser with a full knowledge of the various kinds of Indian society and of what they want to see and when they want to see it.

The above criticisms are written with the best wishes in the world and by one who owes many delightful evenings to Mr. Bandmann's companies. To many of us who dwell for long periods in this highly inartistic town, the visit of either the comedy or the opera company presents a prospect of pure delight. That is indeed why I criticise because I should like to see Mr. Bandmann's companies again. But I cannot help feeling that it was a fatal mistake to put half prepared pieces on the Bombay stage. Fools and bairns, they say, should not see things half finished, and I daresay we are not much better theatrically speaking than fools and bairns in Bombay. But of this I am quite certain, that a good company playing good pieces, comedy or light opera, in Bombay, will always get a good house. But we really do not want to see "Charley's Aunt," "The Silver King," "The Sign of the Cross," or similar chestnuts again. Nor, on the other hand, do we want bizarre novelties such as the "Christian," any more. Nor must Mr. Bandmann bring us any leading lady inferior to Miss Hamor or any leading comedian less amusing than Mr. Harry Cole. Miss Georgie Cortass will also take a good deal of replacing, should that be necessary. But even if Mr. Bandmann should decide to leave Bombay out of his schemes, I think we may look upon the matter with equanimity as some one else is sure to come in his stead. But we do not want someone else; we want Mr. Bandmann with good companies and good pieces and no rehearsals at 9-30 P.M. to an audience that has paid.

THE HILL BURGLAR. Much excitement has lately been caused on Malabar Hill by a series of burglaries or house-breakings by night, as they say in the Indian Penal Code. Houses have been entered and the thief, or thieves, apparently swept his hand over dressing tables and took whatever it came in contact with. One burglar has already been captured but not until a reward was offered and the burglar had effected more than one robbery under the very noses of the police. It is said that there is still another burglar about, but I should fancy he must be much distressed by the loss of his comrade. What always strikes me as wonderful is that there are so few burglaries in Bombay. One cannot help feeling that a swell English professional would have an excellent time out here. There is hardly a house in the place that he could not walk into and help himself from. Be that as it may, one hopes that when the house-breakers are caught they will be severely dealt with, as one of the essentials of life in the East is that we should be able to live with doors and windows open and not shut up.

THE HIGH COURT. The High Court term is at an end, but not the Aga Khan case. That is a wonderful affair, very paying to the legal fraternity, and an undoubted hindrance to other suits. Without commenting on the case in any way, one may be permitted to admire the extraordinarily exhaustive cross-examination by the defendants and the untiring energy with which witness after witness is interrogated. It seems difficult to imagine that this case could have lasted so long in, say England. But every one knows that it is a mistake to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs—or shall we say golden mohurs? It is, perhaps, some slight consolation to expectant and anxious litigants to know that the Parsee case is finished. I am sure the public are very grateful to counsel in that case for not prolonging it, as they might easily have done, and to the Bench for not allowing it to be prolonged.

THE CHANDERNAGORE BOMB OUTRAGE.

Culprit Arrested.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 16.

An expert says that the bomb thrown into M. Bardivel's dining-room at Chandernagore is the same in composition as that used to explode Sir Andrew Fraser's train. The infernal machine weighs two pounds.

LATER.

A boy named Nagendranath Bose has been arrested for the Chandernagore bomb outrage and bail has been refused.

POSTAGE STAMPS.

Higher Values Indented for.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 16.

A large indent has been sent home for postage stamps of higher denominations now that one kind of stamp is to be used for Postal, Telegraph, and Revenue purposes. It is in the matter of foreign traffic that there will be a greater demand for five-rupee stamps, and the supply of these will be placed at big commercial centres, where foreign traffic is heaviest. In addition, new stamps of ten and fifteen rupees are being ordered for the purposes of this class of traffic, and will doubtless be found of great convenience. Meanwhile there would seem to be no objection to the using up of old Telegraph stamps for such traffic, as some time must pass before the indent can be fully complied with.

ROAD TO SRINAGAR IMPASSABLE.

Passengers Sheltering at Rest-Houses.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 16.

A Srinagar correspondent writes that travelling to Srinagar this year has been more of an undertaking than usual, owing to the unexpected heavy rainfall; and that at the present moment the rest-houses all along the route are filled with sportsmen and pleasure-seekers, anxiously waiting for news that the road is clear for them to proceed. The Garhi resthouse, from where the correspondent writes, is some ninety miles short of Srinagar, and is at present the shelter of six ladies and two gentlemen, who have been here four days, the road in front having become quite impassable owing to the landslips. Rain still continues to fall, and there seems to be little hope of getting on at present.

CHIDAMBARAM PILLAY'S CASE.

Prosecution Closed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, APRIL 16.

The adjourned inquiry in the case against Chidambaram Pillay was resumed at Tinnevelly yesterday.

Four more witnesses were examined by the prosecution to corroborate the state of feeling at Tuticorin prior and subsequent to the meetings.

Twenty-five witnesses in all having been examined, the prosecution closed the case, which is adjourned to the 21st instant for the cross-examination of witnesses.

An application for the release of Chidambaram Pillay on bail was again made and refused. The trial is fixed for the 24th instant.

"THE SANDHYA."

Printer's False Declaration.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 16.

The printer of the "Sandhya" is being tried for making a false declaration before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, namely, by giving his name as Lal Behari Sen when it is Jogindra Nath Sen.

TACHANALLUR RIOT CASE.

Formal Charge Framed.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, APRIL 16.

The persons connected with the Tachanallur Riot have been charged with being members of an unlawful assembly.

The proceedings commenced yesterday before the Headquarter District Magistrate.

THE VICEREGAL PROGRAMME.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

Lady Minto may possibly proceed to Dehra Dun after her arrival at Bombay on the 22nd May.

The State dinner and levee is likely to be held here as usual on the 26th May.

SUBRAMANIA SIVA'S CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, APRIL 16.

The case against Subramania Siva commences to-day.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

BRILLIANT BRIGHTON.

Fashionable Frogskin.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 27.

One often hears the question asked to what extent does the example of Royalty influence the fashions. The Marie Antionette fichu, the Marie Stuart headdress, the Princess fringe of a decade or so ago are examples of fashions popularised by Royal ladies. Apparently the example of Royalty is not so infectious to-day. Everyone knows how determined Queen Alexandra has been in discountenancing the wearing of ospreys. Not only does she never wear an osprey herself but no Princess of the Royal house would dream of allowing her to see them wearing osprey feathers. The Queen moreover has caused her boycott of the osprey feather to be made very widely known. Her crusade, however, has been ineffectual. A week after the Queen's declaration against the wearing of osprey feathers was made known three lady members of the Society for the Protection of Birds made a careful canvass of the shop windows of Oxford street. They began at Tottenham Court-road and worked their way to the Marble Arch, with the result that they counted two thousand seven hundred and ninety-five hats with ospreys in them.

This season according to the latest tidings from Paris the osprey is to be ubiquitous. All the new spring hats show a big bunch of ospreys at the left side of the aggressively high crowns which are the season's novelty. The humanitarians are therefore taking other steps to banish "murderous millinery."

A bill to prevent the importation of ospreys into this country is to be brought into Parliament and, judging by the public opinion on this subject, there will be little opposition to its passing. One section of its supporters are prepared to go so far as to fine every milliner who sells an osprey and every woman who wears one. The more moderate advocates of legislation in this direction however suggest that importation only should be made illegal and that such osprey feathers as are actually worn on the persons should pass the Customs. The spectacle of osprey trimmed hats arriving in the damp mists of early morning at Dover after the perils of a Channel crossing should, however, go a long way towards making women voluntarily renounce the condemned fashion.

DEVONSHIRE HOUSE.

The death of the Duke of Devonshire throws many of our great families into mourning. Had it occurred a few years ago it would have spelt ruin to the London season, but since the Duke's separation from his party on the question of Free Trade, Devonshire House has no longer been the scene of the brilliant social gaieties of which it was once the acknowledged centre.

The future fate of the historic house and garden the last remaining garden in Piccadilly—is uncertain. For years there has been a rumour that the Duke parted with the great town house of the Cavendishes to an American Syndicate, possession to take place after his death.

It was at Devonshire House even more than at Chatsworth that the Duchess of Devonshire—now the Dowager Duchess—wielded her sceptre as a social Queen. For a generation she has ranked as the greatest political lady in the land and her social gifts made her first among hostesses.

Whatever the party in power the Devonshire House banquet until the present Parliament was the great political function of the eve of the opening of Parliament. Then there was the dinner and dance in honour of Queen Alexandra on the evening of the Derby Day. The King always marked the importance of the occasion by bringing his own guests at his dinner to the members of the Jockey Club, on to the Duchess's party.

But the social event which stands out in the history of Devonshire House and, indeed, in the social history of last half century was the historic fancy dress ball of 1897. The Prince of Wales, the present King, and every member of the Royal family were present in fancy dress. Family jewels which had been locked away in the strong rooms at the banks were brought to light and reset. It was a dazzlingly brilliant assemblage of the cream of English Society and a lasting tribute to the social genius of the Duchess of Devonshire.

THE NEW DUCHESS.

The new Duchess of Devonshire has had an excellent training for the position which awaits her as one of the most important hostesses in Society. She was Lady Evelyn Fitzmaurice the daughter of the Marchioness of Lansdowne, and Lady Lansdowne is of course the leading hostess for the Opposition. Whether her party is in power or out of it, her receptions at Lansdowne House are most brilliant affairs. The new Duchess is the mother of two sons and four daughters, her marriage to the Duke's nephew, Mr. Victor Cavendish, taking place in 1892. Both are fond of country life, but with the great responsibilities that now devolve upon them we shall probably see the new Duke and Duchess taking an active part in entertaining.

WHAT TO DO WITH OUR GIRLS.

That most novel of exhibitions the "what to do with our Girls Exhibition" which is to be opened in Princes Skating Rink in May is going to be a huge success.

Parties are now being organized in all the principal girls' schools and colleges and under the charge of their teachers, the girls who have arrived at an age when they want to map out a career for themselves either for pleasure or profit as the case may be, will be brought to London for the exhibition. At each stand the advantages, cost of training, possibilities of success, etc., of the various professions will be explained in a thoroughly practical manner by expert authorities. The variety of professions and trades to be demonstrated is simply astounding. They include anything from fly-tying demonstrated by an enterprising Devonshire young lady to the care of a motor car. Nor are the domestic arts forgotten, cookery, laundry work, jam-making, dairy work etc., will all be demonstrated by women who are making a successful living out of them. The Princess of Wales, Duchess of Connaught, Princess Christian, Princess Victoria and Louise of Schleswig Holstein and many other members of the Royal Family are interesting themselves in this practical effort to solve the What to do with our Girls problem.

EVENINGS AT BRIGHTON.

Brighton has come into its own again since the recent visit of the King. Hotels have been full ever since and the Saturday to Monday at Brighton has been the thing for the last few weeks. But we are to have a new development. Later in the season an evening at Brighton will rival the Opera and the playhouse. Two special trains of Pullman cars are to be run each evening, the journey being performed in exactly sixty minutes. Tea or dinner as the case may be will be served on board and the train will whisk its patrons back to London about midnight. Four or five hours of fresh sea breezes to be secured in this easy fashion will mean a great deal to the fashionable woman who is apt to lose her freshness in the whirl of the London season.

OUR ROYAL GUEST.

The Empress Marie is still in London but the Queen and she will depart for Sandringham next week. Queen Alexandra always welcomes any opportunity of visiting her country home and the Empress Marie will see Sandringham at its best in these bright spring days. Their Majesties have had a quiet week, visiting picture galleries and shopping in Bond-street in the morning, driving or motoring in the Queen's white car in the afternoon and night has generally found them in the Royal Box at one or the other of the theatres. The one event of social importance was the dinner or reception at the Russian Embassy in honour of the Empress Marie. Both she and Queen Alexandra dined at the Embassy and the reception afterwards was a very brilliant affair. Black sparkling with jet paillettes was worn by Queen Alexandra and the Empress Marie and both ladies wore magnificent jewels.

FASHIONABLE FROGSKIN.

Frogskin is the latest novelty of the day. Shunned by the fair sex in life, the skin and the frog is greatly sought after this season. Wristbags, purses, card-cases, letter cases, watch wristlets even, belts are made of frogskin. The natural colour of the frog skin with its curious yellow markings is maintained and the skin is declared to be exceedingly durable.

The frogskin wrist bags with gold or silver mountings are fetching beyond a doubt. A frogskin letter case with a gold or silver monogram is very effective too. The belts are furnished with quaint buckles on green and yellow enamel.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

Motion in House of Commons.

"THE CONTROL OF ALL PURELY IRISH AFFAIRS."

London, March 31.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. John Redmond, Leader of the Nationalists, moved a resolution affirming that the stem of government in Ireland was inefficient, extravagantly costly, and productive of universal discontent and unrest, and that the only solution of the difficulty was to give to an Irish Legislative Executive the control of all purely Irish affairs.

The resolution, he claimed, was necessary to free the Liberals at the next general election from the unfortunate pledges which debarred a party of convinced Home Rulers from giving effect to their convictions. Ireland would not be content with a half-way house scheme. He eloquently pleaded the right of the Irish people to develop the resources of their country and the power to heal the wounds inflicted through class hatred and religious dissension.

Lord Percy (Conservative) submitted an amendment declaring that if the Imperial Parliament abandoned its undivided responsibility it would injure the prosperity of Ireland and the Imperial security of Great Britain and therefore the House was unalterably opposed to the creation of an Irish Parliament with responsible executive. Home Rule, he declared, was a losing cause, not merely because its advocates were becoming fainthearted, but because the new ideal of the closer union of all parts of the Empire was firing the enthusiasm of the British people. There was no doubt which would win now that success in war and commerce depended upon the concentration and union.

Mr. A. Birrell, Irish Chief Secretary, said Ireland could not wait indefinitely for urgent reforms. Ireland was not a country of murder and crime, but one of profound discontent, misery, and dislocation of society. Something must be done. He believed that the affairs of Ireland required a Parliament's exclusive attention.

Mr. S. A. Butcher (Unionist University of Cambridge), on behalf of the Protestant minority, asserted that Home Rule would be not simply a political experiment but a desperate gamble with imperial interests.

Mr. G. Clark (Unionist, North Belfast) caused a scene by applying the epithet, "Ignorant and lazy," to the peasantry of the west of Ireland.

Mr. John O'Connor (Nationalist, North Kildare) challenged Mr. Clark to repeat his words outside. He called him a coward and a cad.

The Deputy-Speaker named Mr. O'Connor when he refused to withdraw his references to Mr. Clark.

Mr. O'Connor, amid cheers from the Irish Party, left the House.

Mr. Arthur Balfour (Leader of the Opposition) denied the analogy between Ireland and the self-governing colonies. He reminded the House that the political process between countries in modern times was one of integration not disintegration.

Mr. H. H. Asquith, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Acting-Prime Minister, affirmed that he strongly favoured self-government with regard to purely local affairs, but he was unable to vote for the motion, because it contained no explicit recognition of the continued paramount supremacy of the Imperial Parliament. Besides the Liberal Party was pledged not to proceed with a Home Rule measure during the lifetime of the present Parliament. He intended to vote against the amendment, because it was a barren negation.

Mr. T. Healy (Nationalist, North Louth) violently attacked Mr. Asquith.

Lord Percy's amendment was rejected by 334 votes to 142.

Mr. Redmond's resolution was carried, with the addition of words, proposed by Mr. J. A. Simon (Liberal, Walthamstow), that the Home Rule Parliament must be subject to the supreme authority of the Imperial Parliament. The voting on the resolution was as follows:—

Ayes	313
Noes	157
Majority for the resolution	156

British Education.

BILL IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

In the House of Lords yesterday the Bishop of St. Asaph moved the second reading of his Education (Transferred Schools) Bill. He argued that the measure was calculated to secure safety, peace, uniformity, and efficiency.

The Archbishop of Canterbury stated that the Bill was not officially put forward by the Church although it went a long way towards producing agreement. He favoured any settlement that would not involve the sacrifice of the Church's fundamental principles.

The Earl of Crewe, Lord President of the Council, advised that the motion for the second reading of the Bill be adopted. He believed that the measure was an honest attempt at the settlement of the question, although many grave questions must be met before the requirements of the country were secured. The members of the Government thought that their bill ought to be the basis for discussion.

The Marquis of Lansdowne said the Bill stopped far short of the compromise that would satisfy the Unionists. Not only were there ambigities in it, but there were serious omissions.

The Earl of Rosebery considered that the Bill was an enormous step forward.

The debate was adjourned.

The Case of Canon Nash.

CANON BARDSLEY RETRACTS.

Inquiries show that the accusations contained in what is known as the number two charge against Canon Nash, of Geelong, rest entirely on Canon Bardsley's statements to Bishop Legge, of Lichfield, and others, these statements having possibly reached Bishop Moule, of Durham. Bishop Moule now calls them hearsay rumour.

Canon Bardsley writes:—"As a matter of justice and honour, with the evidence now before me, I cannot confirm my statement to the Bishop of Lichfield."

Archbishop Clarke, of Melbourne, holds that the written statements concerning the number two accusation relating to Canon Nash's misconduct towards a lady member of Canon Bardsley's family were of such gravity as to justify his refusal to reinstate the Canon.

An Armenian Outrage.

BASHI BAZOUKS KILL 33 PERSONS.

LONDON, March 30.

Owing to an Armenian attack upon a supposed informer, the Bashi Bazouks indiscriminately assailed the residents of Van, a fortified city in Turkish Armenia, and killed 33 of them. An Imperial force intervened and stopped the massacre.

The Powers urgently insist upon the punishment of the guilty Bashi Bazouks.

Irish Education.

MR. BIRRELL'S UNIVERSITY BILL.

DEBATE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, April 1.

In the House of Commons yesterday a motion granting Mr. A. Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, leave to introduce his Irish University Bill was carried by 307 votes to 24.

The measure, which was read a first time am

which will also receive £80,000 from the Exchequer instead of £36,500 at present granted for Irish university education. Apart from the Church Fund the Belfast University will receive an annual endowment of £19,000; the new (Dublin) College, £32,000; Queen's College (Cork), £18,000; and Queen's College (Galway), £12,000. As building grants the Belfast University receives £60,000 and the Dublin University £150,000.

Mr. Birrell affirmed that the new universities would be undenominational, although the Dublin University might have a Roman Catholic and the Belfast University a Presbyterian complexion.

Mr. Arthur Balfour (Leader of the Opposition). Mr. John Dillon (Nationalist). Mr. Wm. O'Brien (Nationalist), Mr. S. H. Butcher (Unionist. University of Cambridge), Sir E. H. Carson (Unionist, University of Dublin), and Mr. George Wyndham (Unionist) expressed general satisfaction with the scheme, and applauded the spirit in which Mr. Birrell had approached the problem of Irish University education.

Mr. Balfour declared that, broadly speaking, no better plan could have been devised. The Government was wise in leaving Trinity College (Dublin) alone, but he questioned the prudence of handing over the whole of the tutorial patronage to the senates.

The Fiscal Question.

ATTITUDE OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. A. Monds (Liberal, Chester) submitted, in the House of Commons yesterday, a resolution affirming that any attempt to broad in the basis of taxation by placing small import duties on a large number of articles would be financially unsound, uneconomical, harmful to industry and commerce, likely to raise prices and tend to the imposition of high tariffs as in protected countries.

The resolution was carried by 280 votes to 91.

Mr. Arthur Balfour, Leader of the Opposition, ridiculed the phantom of a strange and extravagant system of taxation which no one recommended. The broadening of the basis of taxation was, however, inevitable, and it was not distant. The only course open was to increase the number of Customs duties, which would be desirable on financial ground alone, and doubly welcome if they afforded a chance of making arrangements with the colonies which would strengthen the Empire, increase our manufacturing powers and enlarge our markets beyond the seas.

Mr. Walter Runciman, Financial Secretary of the Treasury, declared that Mr. Balfour was committed to a general tariff.

Mr. Balfour, in reply, explained that he was only committed to a very wide extension of the basis of taxation.

Mr. Runciman insisted that Mr. Balfour was committed to colonial preference and, through that, to taxes on food.

Turkish Soldiers on Strike.

THE AUTHORITIES GIVE WAY.

Two regiments of Hamidieh cavalry mutinied at Adrianople, in European Turkey, recently. Some of the men entrenched themselves in the barracks and the others barricaded themselves in the Mosque. —After appeals had been made to Constantinople orders were given to pay the mutineers and to disband all who had completed their period of service.

American Politics.

THE DEMOCRATS AND PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S PROGRAMME.

London, March 28.

Mr. William leader of the minority in the United States House of Representatives, has announced the readiness of the Democrats to assist President Roosevelt in his legislative programme, and to pass it with the aid of 25 Republican votes.

Mr. G. W. Smalley, "Times" correspondent at New York, states that Mr. William's offer creates a remarkable situation in politics, and if it be accepted, it may convert a do-nothing session into one of great activity.

American Anarchist Outrage.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

London, March 29.

Further particulars of the anarchist outrage which took place at New York yesterday show that 20,000 persons (mostly women), carrying anarchist banners, and wearing red caps, assembled, despite an official refusal to permit them to enter Union Square.

One hundred and eighty mounted police sought to disperse the crowd, whereupon Solig Silverstein, a young Russian Jew, attempted to hurl a bomb among a group of twenty constables. The fuse on the bomb was short, and the infernal machine exploided prematurely, tearing off Silverstein's right arm, and killing an onlooker named becoman. The latter is believed to have been an accomplice of Silverstein.

Anglican Church.

THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE.

The programme for the Lambeth Conference of the Church of England, shows that Australasian prelates have been invited to speak on the following subjects:—The Archbishop of Melbourne "Reunion and intercommunion"; the Archbishop of Brisbane, "Organisation within the Anglican Communion"; the Bishop of Newcastle, "The Moral Witness of the Church in Relation to Social and Economic Questions"; the Bishop of Perth, "Religious Education in Schools"; the Bishop of Wellington, "Ministry of Healing"; the Archbishop of Sydney "Sunday Observance."

Discovery in Silverstein's House.

London, March 30.

The New York police have discovered in Silverstein's house letters from Birkman, husband of the anarchist Emma Goodman, containing details of extraordinary plots against financiers

SAILORS' HOME.

Annual Meeting.

THE seventieth annual meeting of the Royal Alfred Sailors Home was held on Wednesday evening at the Home, Mr. R. H. H. Hopkins presiding

The Committee's report for the year 1907 showed that the daily total number of officers and seamen of different ratings boarded in the Home during the year was 29,527; the daily average being 80·89 against a daily average of 77·71 in the previous year. The greatest number in the Home at any time during the year was 247, and the least 5. During the year 11 destitute seamen were admitted to the Home and were maintained by the Board of Trade at the instance of the Shipping Master. There were 19 admissions to the St. George's Hospital of seamen of the merchant service. Seamen of the Royal Navy requiring attendance were treated by their own medical officers. There were no cases of contagious or infectious disease among the inmates of the Home. Several officers and seamen of the merchant service were maintained in the Home after their funds had been exhausted and until they were able to obtain employment. The messing arrangements were carried out as in the previous year and gave satisfaction The inmates (228) of the Home were treated to an excellent dinner on Xmas day out of the funds of the Home. They were again entertained to a good dinner on New Year's day given by the contractor of the Home. The library has been well supplied with English newspapers and periodicals, the cost as heretofore being defrayed from the interest accruing from the Henry Memorial Fund. About 40 books were presented to the library, and the billiard table placed therein for the use of the seamen was constantly used by the men. The billiard table in the officers' room was much appreciated and constantly used by the officers staying in the Home. The following changes took place on the board during the year:—Mr. E. Comber resigned his seat on the board and the following gentlemen were asked to join to fill vacant seats:—Messrs. E. F. Allum, J. Greig, B. H. Hewett, G. C. Plinston, and G. F. D. Tennant. The Committee thanked the honorary medical officer for his continued gratuitous services. Mr. J. H. Downing, the Superintendent of the Home, continued to conduct his duties in an efficient manner and to the satisfaction of the Board.

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. T. L. Roberts, the report was adopted. Resolutions were then passed thanking the President, honorary secretary, honorary treasurer, and honorary medical officer for their services during the year.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

FIRE IN BANDRA.

Cigarette Factory Burnt.

A huge and destructive fire broke out yesterday in Bandra at 2 o'clock in the morning, in a two-storeyed bungalow, formerly the old Freemasons' Hall, but now used as a factory for manufacturing cigarettes by Messrs. John Petrino and Co. The building is the property of Mr. Davar, Byramji Road, and is popularly known in Bandra as Davar's bungalow. It is situated on the main Road leading to the chapel of "Mount Mary." The fire originated apparently in the engine room, but how it broke out is not yet known. As the factory had been working at high pressure, work was carried on up to a late hour the previous evening. Nothing, however, was noticed till about 2 o'clock. Two of the employes of the firm, who are apparently Greeks, retired to their quarters, another storeyed building, which adjoins the factory. One of them got up, because, as he told our representative, he felt suffocated and came out of the bed room for a whiff of fresh air, when he saw the compound murky and the building on fire. Simultaneously he heard the watchman raising an alarm, which was rapidly followed by the deafening thunder caused by the falling masonry and other materials.

He ran to the other employes and every effort was promptly made to arrest the further progress of the fire. The Municipal appliances consisting of a hydraulic hand pump, hose, reel, etc., were at once despatched to the scene of the fire and two lines of hose were connected with the hydrant and commenced to play upon the flames. Information was immediately given to Mr. C. C. C. Pegge, Inspector of Police, Mr. Pradhan, the local Sub-Magistrate, and Dr. De Monte, the President of the Municipal Committee. All of them immediately arrived on the spot and did yeoman service to bring the fire under control. They were followed by Messrs. Agabeg, Pereira, Rajaram Tukaram, members of the Municipal Committee. The Bombay Fire Brigade was also communicated with by telephone but some time was lost in obtaining permission for fire-engines to proceed outside the limits of the city. Soon, however, the Mahim manual was despatched to the scene, but it was too late to save the building which was already gutted. Mr. W. J. Beane, the late Foreman of the Bombay Fire Brigade, was also present and rendered the necessary assistance. Mr. Pegge, with his characteristic energy, put himself heartily to the work of saving packages of tobacco and cigarettes and did his best to save the adjacent building from the ravages of the fire which threatened it. The wind was also favourable as it was blowing from the South-West. But for this, the bungalows on the opposite side of Hill Road would also have been enveloped in the fire.

The building is valued at about Rs. 50,000 while the value of stock and machinery is estimated at about a lakh of rupees. Two of the engines have been completely destroyed by fire. It is reported that the stock and machinery are covered by insurance to the extent of Rs. 80,000.

It is a pity that the Bandra Municipality has not seen its way to establish a Fire Brigade and it is hoped that the Municipality would take a warning lesson from the occurrence of this fire and establish an efficient Fire Brigade to cope with such emergencies.

GREAT FIRE AT SURAT.

Two Lakhs Damages.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SURAT, APRIL 16.

A disastrous fire broke out early this morning at about one o'clock at Salabatpura, an area thickly populated by Khatris and abutting on the main road.

The flames aided by a high wind spread rapidly throughout Tadvali and three other streets.

The Municipal authorities worked hard to cope with the conflagration, which had now spread over an area of nearly three thousand square yards, but it was not till after four o'clock that the fire was got under control.

Over two hundred and seventy houses have been burnt down and the damages are estimated at about two lakhs of rupees. The tenants of several houses are away on a pilgrimage to Unai and Vadtal. Fortunately no loss of life has occurred, but the Khatris, who have been rendered homeless, are in a pitiable condition and an appeal for help on their behalf will be necessary.

A further report by the Municipality states that 93 houses have been burnt valued at Rs. 63,000 and with the destruction of household furniture the damages amount to nearly one lakh.

THE INDIA JUTE MILL ON FIRE.

Some Lakhs Damage.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 16.

A fire broke out last night in the India Jute Mill at Serampore, completely destroying the Spinning Department and causing damage of some lakhs, which is covered by insurance. The fire was due to overheating of the machinery.

MR. WANAMAKER'S BEQUESTS.

Allahabad Monopolised.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 16.

Mr. Wanamaker, the deceased millionaire of Philadelphia, would seem to be a philanthropist, who, when passing through Allahabad some years ago, was seized with the idea of founding a sumptuous school for the training of Christian Native girls. The "Pioneer" trusts that Mr. Wanamaker has left no more of his money in the same direction; for, between missionaries and educationists, the soil of Allahabad is already so monopolised that the ordinary resident finds it difficult to get a corner wherein to bestow himself.

CHANDPUR DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 16.

The Chandpur correspondent of the "Bengalee" says that fifty of the Gurkha Military Police have been sent there to maintain peace at the forthcoming District Conference.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S MOVEMENTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

Lord Kitchener visits Quetta and Lahore before returning to Simla at the end of the present month.

WEEKLY PLAGUE REPORTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

There were 8,490 deaths in India in the week ending last Saturday; Punjab reporting 2,665, United Provinces 1,978, Bombay 1,436, Bengal 1,298, Rajputana 654, Central Provinces 126, Burma 95, Mysore State 70, Madras Presidency 65, Central India 41, Kashmir and N. W. Frontier Province 25 each, and Hyderabad State 12.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17.

Bombay Garrison:—Fort Field Officer, Captain C. W. A. Holmes, 116th Mahrattas; next for duty, Lieut.-W. L. Wayman, 116th Mahrattas; Colaba Field Officer, Major A. F. Pullen, R.G.A; next for duty, Major A. C. Pitman, R. G. A.

Temporary leave of absence is granted to the undermentioned officer, as follows:—Lieutenant-Colonel H. R. Mead 116th Maharatas, from 20th to 29th April, 1908, inclusive.

SOUTHERN ARMY ORDERS

Staff.—Major C. G. Stewart, D.S.O., Royal Field Artillery, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Southern Army, to act as Deputy Adjutant-General, Southern Army, during the absence on leave of Brigadier-General J. W. G. Tulloch, C. B., or until further orders. Dated 8th April.

116th Mahrattas.—Major H. R. Mead, 2nd-in-Command, to be Commandant, and Major A. W. Andrew, 2nd Double Company Commander, to be 2nd-in-Command, vice Colonel P. R. Legh, vacated. Dated 26th March.

Staff—Major C. E. E. F. K. Macquoid, D.S.O., 20th Deccan Horse, to officiate as Brigade-Major, Bangalore Cavalry Brigade, vice Major J. H. A Annesley, D.S.O., on leave, or until further orders. Dated 3rd April.

33rd Queen's Own Light Cavalry"—Major A. J. W. Browne, 2nd Squadron Commander, to officiate as 2nd-in-Command, during the absence on leave of Lieutenant-Colonel F. J. M. Edwards, D. S. O., or until further orders. Dated 2nd November, 1907.

86th Carnatic Infantry.—Major W. H. W. Mercer, 2nd-in-Command, to officiate as Commandant, and Major E. Codrington, 2nd Double Company Commander, to officiate as 2nd-in-Command, during the absence on leave of Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. H. Stirling, or until further orders. Dated 26th March,

123rd Outram's Rifles.—Captain R. W. C. Blair, on re-transfer from the Temporary Half-Pay List, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 3rd February.

Captain R. W. C. Blair, Double Company Officer, to officiate as 2nd-in-Command, during the absence on leave of Major A. H. Dennys, or until further orders. Dated 3rd February.

126th Baluchistan Infantry.—Major J. Parker, 2nd-in-Command, to officiate as Commandant, during the absence on leave of Lieutenant-Colonel G. S. Broome, or until further orders. Dated 13th January.

Captain C. G. Woodhouse, *pro tem* 4th Double Company Commander, to officiate as 2nd-in-Command, vice Major J. Parker, officiating as Commandant, or until further orders. Dated 29th March.

The undermentioned officer is granted 60 days' privilege leave from the 20th April, or such date as he may avail himself of it:—

Major-General C. W. Park, C.B., Commanding Nasirabad Brigade.

COLONEL W. E. Peyton gets the Meerut Cavalry Brigade Command.

THE post of Inspector-General of Supply and Transport will be abolished from 1st May. Major-General Mansfield, the present occupant, proceeds on one year's leave from the 26th instant.

WEDDING OF THE COLLECTOR OF BOMBAY.

The little Church on Malabar Hill was prettily decorated for the wedding of Mr. G. W. Hatch, Collector of Bombay, to Mrs. Pogson, which took place on the morning of Thursday the 16th instant. The ceremony was a quiet one and was attended only by civilians and a few personal friends of the bridegroom. The bride, who wore a charming gown of grey tinted lace, relieved with pink, was given away by Mr. Curtis, I. C. S., Director of Land Records. After the wedding a reception was held at the Collector's bungalow, the health of the bride and bridegroom was drunk, and the party photographed. Mr. and Mrs. Hatch left the same afternoon for Matheran where they are to spend a short honeymoon of ten days.

The following is a list of the guests:—The Hon'ble Mr. J. J. Heaton, Mrs. Logan, Mr. and Mrs W. D. Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. Gell, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. A. Westropp, Mr. S. M. Edwardes, Mr. Lawrence Robertson, Mr. J. E. B. Hotson, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wild, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Haigh, Mr. E. J. Bolus, Miss Bolus, Mr. and Mrs. G. McCausland, Dr. H. Cogill, Mr. L. J. Hartley, Mr. T. urkitt, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Pandurang Balkrishna Vasudev.

MURDER OF A HINDU WOMAN.

About one o'clock yesterday morning a murder was committed in the public road at Khetwady of a Hindu woman, by her friend Nanabhai Jugjivan who had become jealous of a Khoja whose friendship the deceased woman had recently contracted.

Nanabhai Jugjivan, a Gujarati Hindu, was living with the deceased woman named Chandri, (18), at Bapty road. She was in his keeping for some time but for the last three days she had formed friendship with a Khoja and was driving about in the city in a hack victoria with him. This morning about one o'clock she left her room at Bapty road, drove as far as Khetwady, near Falkland road, where the assailant saw her seated by the side of the Khoja. He could not bear to see this and becoming very jealous and in the heat of excitement stabbed the woman with a sharp instrument. The blade of the instrument passed through her heart and she died instantaneously.

It is said that as soon as he saw the deceased woman coming towards Falkland road, he stopped the gharry and took his seat opposite the woman and her Khoja friend, and taking an opportunity stabbed her at once. He jumped out of the victoria and ran away. All this was so quickly done that the Khoja could not quite realise the situation. He noticed the struggles of the woman and then he told the victoria driver to go to the Hospital, where the doctor pronounced her dead.

The murderer is still at large.

A Coroner's inquest was held in the morning. The medical evidence showed that the deceased had a stab wound above the left breast which transfixed the heart and wounded the left lung below and behind the heart. Death was due to this injury. The wound was such as might have been caused with a knife or a dagger; and death must have been almost instantaneous.

Further enquiry was adjourned.

THE BOMBAY ART SOCIETY'S EXHIBITION.

THE results of the Exhibition recently held in the Town Hall by the Bombay Art Society have proved very satisfactory. 2,450 paid for admission, which with members and exhibitors, makes a total of 2,650 visitors. Last year the numbers were 1,800 and 2,000, respectively. This year the pictures numbered 536 as against 487 in 1907, and the general quality was much higher this year than last. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,640 as against Rs 1,800 last year, but some scatlings were available from 1907. The income was Rs. 2,570—made up from Gate-money and Catalogue Rs. 615, members' subscription Rs. 1,400 and commission on sale of pictures Rs. 546—as against a total income of Rs. 2,459 in 1907, of which sum Gate-money and Catalogues yielded Rs. 781, members' subscription Rs. 1,480, and commission on sale of pictures Rs. 197. The chief feature of this year's results is the record sale of pictures, 67 being sold for Rs. 5,466 as against Rs. 1,975 obtained last year.

THE GREAT SUCCESS that has rewarded the philanthropic efforts to provide the public with good music in our parks, shown by the large appreciative crowds who linger, with evident delight, near the various bandstands. The creation of the healthy taste for harmony will, in time, yield good fruit in giving the people a liking for higher state of civilisation and a yearning for that which is good, noble, and true. Holloway's remedies work a similar miracle with the organisation of the body. The Pills, by their purifying influence, cleanse the blood, and the Ointment gives the strength and energy to the system. Disease is driven out of its stronghold, and health once again resumes its sway.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF BOMBAY.

II.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is impossible to follow the several Chambers, Corporation, and Societies in any summary because they have not followed any one system—nor is the Governmental arrangement at all convenient for the purpose. I shall therefore travel (as it were) from South to North in the direction that the City has always and must always expand.

There are, however, two most important questions upon which hinge all the others—*vide licet*:

I.—The Water Supply;

II.—The Sewage Outfall.

Upon the Water Supply, of course, depends the volume of water, whether sullage from cooking and bath rooms, or from water closet connexions, or from waste and consequent soakage—that must find its way through the sewers into the pump wells. Therefore I deal with the Water Supply question first. It will occupy the whole of the present and my third letter, for it is a very large question. Much light, however, has been thrown upon it by Mr. N. N. Katrak in his masterly and exhaustive treatise or "Notes on the proposed Duplication of the Tansa Main, and the Bombay Water Supply generally," for a copy of which I heartily thank him. Both these points must be solved before any other point can be discussed. Upon the 1st depends the area that may be habitable. Upon the 2nd rests the possibility of the City expanding at all. For several years past—even since the Tansa Lake was available—the need for a larger (and that a continuous) supply has been felt. I am aware that there are those in the Municipal Executive Engineer's Office who think otherwise, and are content with a system that renders it necessary to shut off one part of the City in order to supply another. I am aware, also, from a recent discussion with Mr. Joseph Hall himself (at which Mr. Katrak was present) of the arguments that are advanced, viz., that the hours during which the population of Bombay need to draw water, differ from the hours when English Cities (London to wit) draw upon their water mains. Those arguments, in my humble opinion, are absolutely valueless. What this City—any City—requires is not a more or less intermittent supply, but a continuous supply, equal certainly to 40 gallons per head per diem (better were it 60 gallons). An intermittent supply is not merely a precarious supply; it is a positive source of danger when there are bursts in the mains, or when a conflagration bursts out in the shut-off wards.

What "*Urbs Prima in Indis*" asks for—nay, insists upon been provided with—is a water supply sufficient to keep all the service mains fully charged night and day.

What the rate-payers want is that their Water Rate may be reduced: which it cannot be so long as the up-keep of the distributory mains is so costly, and it will become more costly under the existing intermittent supply system by which mains and pipes are constantly damaged by the shocks which daily shutting off and opening valves occasions. As Mr. Santo Crimp crisply observes:—

"There is practically no control, and even the limited control obtainable by means of valves upon the mains is fraught with danger, because of the shock resulting from arresting the momentum of the water in the large supply mains, when the valves are shut, which sooner or later leads to bursts with their attendant risks and inconveniences. That most desirable want, the constant supply at high pressure, is impossible under such circumstances."

Let us see what Mr. Crimp and other experts consulted by the Corporation—Messrs. Deacon and Rawlinson—have recorded on the all-important question of a continuous *versus* an intermittent supply system:—

"The advantages of a constant supply are now so well understood, that I propose to touch upon the subject very shortly. In the first place, the advantages from the sanitary point of view out-weigh all others although there are some which are also of great importance.

I have noticed repeatedly since I have been in Bombay, that upon opening the tap in the bath room used by me, not only has there been no water in the service pipe, but that there is a partial vacuum, the suction being frequently very strong, sufficiently so indeed, to empty a tumbler of water. Now, it is common knowledge that in a large system of mains and service pipes undergoing a steady process of deterioration from the day they are laid, that leaks are common experience, and must, of necessity, for ever take place.

Many of the distributing mains and services are laid in ground polluted with sewage, 'laid on' to the soil, as described more particularly in my report on 'sub-soil water,' and there is a grave risk of drawing some of the polluted water into the water supply under the circumstances referred to.

There are further risks of pollution of the general supply due to taps being left open in insanitary dwellings, and even of the water drawn from the taps and stored in utensils of various kinds, when there is a short supply; upon sanitary grounds, therefore, an intermittent supply cannot be too strongly condemned.

Upon what may be termed mechanical grounds, the system of intermittent supply is bad, because of the risk of the great supply mains being damaged by the shock caused by the shutting of the valves. As you are aware, more than one accident of the kind has occurred in Bombay, quite recently, with grave consequences to the consumers who were for the public a serious plight. A great fire under these circumstances would be appalling in its results.

Finally, although it may at first appear paradoxical, there may be less waste with a constant supply at good pressure than with an intermittent supply, because an efficient system of waste prevention is the natural complement of the constant supply." (Santo Crimp.)

"Methods of restricting waste.—This is the simplest and crudest of methods and consists merely in restricting the supply, by turning off the water at the main. Owing to its extensive adoption, there are millions of people in this country to whose houses the water comes only during 20 to 100 minutes a day. This most harmful, and, I believe, most expensive of methods for the restriction of waste is commonly known as intermittent supply.....Time will not allow me to do more than state superficially the evils of this system..... As the leaks most difficult of detection and therefore most permanent are those immediately above sewers and drains, the air thus forced into the main is frequently the air of sewers and drains. The water similarly forced in is too commonly the water of foul closet pans, the outlets of which are stopped or partly stopped. The foul air or water is often infused into and served with the next day's supply. It would be difficult to exaggerate the horrible nature of the facts of this kind, which I have personally ascertained to be insupportable from the intermittent system of supply.....I have never found any one who could give a good reason for the continuation of this obnoxious method of restricting waste; but the people have borne it; and under a false impression that it is economical, the authorities have continued it" (Mr. F. Deacon).

"Many persons thought that a high pressure water supply was wasteful; but when the mains were sound and the distributing apparatus properly arranged and the fittings had been tested in the way Mr. Deacon had described, the higher the pressure within a moderate limit, up to 150 or even 250 feet, the better, because if the supply were put inside the tenement, he would guarantee there would be no continuous waste of water as the moment it began to waste, it made such a noise and mess, that the inhabitants were glad to send for the nearest fitter and have the taps put in order." (Mr. R. Rawlinson.)

Thus in a triple "phillipine" (as it were,) three eminent Hydraulic Engineers present the case or question in a nutshell to the Corporation, whose duty it is to crack it even at the risk of breaking their financial wisdom and back teeth in the operation.

Mr. Katrak, L. M. and S., should know something about teeth. He certainly has examined the Municipal maw to some purpose, and tells the portly patient precisely what he can and must swallow after a mastication already too much prolonged.

Mr. Katrak naturally suggests a new upper set of teeth; in other words, the building up of the Tansa dam to the level originally proposed by my old friend Major Hector Tullock. He also insists on the "duplication of the Tansa Main" by masonry conduit and iron (or steel) pipe on the lower levels: and he estimates the cost, with what seems to be carefully elaborated accuracy, at some 50 to 60 lakhs of rupees to be raised by a loan repayable in sixty (60) years as in the case of Vehar.

If there were no other better remedy for the parsimony of the Corporation in reducing the height of the Tansa dam, there would be nothing left for the Corporation to do than to adopt his scheme; but there is, I must fain point out, a serious objection to its adoption; there is, moreover, an infinitely better and a considerably cheaper solution of the problem, which I shall have great pleasure in submitting for public criticism in my next letter, concluding this present screed by stating the objection to Mr. Katrak's project. It is that, take what precautions the Engineers may, the supply of pure water from Tansa will be to a certain extent fouled, and may even be temporarily—perhaps seriously—interrupted while the elevatory works are in progress. That is one objection which, seeing the rate at which the City is spreading northward, is fatal to the project. Another no less fatal objection is that it does not go far enough, inasmuch as it does not grapple—as it should—with the question of the Water Supply of Suburban Bombay in the Island of Salsette, which must be faced in a few years whether the Corporation like it or not. There is no shirking it!—Yours, etc.,

ARTHUR CRAWFORD.

Matheran, April 14.

AUSTRALIA FOR NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND MEN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Since I made known, more than a year ago, through your columns that time-expired soldiers could receive a free passage to Australia instead of back to the British Isles from the Imperial authorities, I have had numerous letters from non-commissioned officers and soldiers about to leave the Army, asking me what prospects would be before them if they came to Australia or New Zealand. I find it hard to answer all these individually, and so would be obliged if you would afford me space to do so in your columns.

I would begin by saying that I do not want anyone to come to Australia under a misunderstanding. Although I am convinced that the ordinary man would do better here than in England, from where by every mail letters reach me telling of the unemployment and poverty existing there, I want it to be known that there are no "soft jobs" going in Australia. The man who thinks he has only to come to Australia to get a place as a commissionaire or porter in a club, and a servant to a gentleman, is woefully mistaken. There is practically no demand for such service here, and what there is, is easily satisfied by people here already, who are not over fond of hard work.

The man who is wanted in Australia is the one who is prepared to go anywhere, and to do anything as long as he can get a stast, and so prove to his employers what stuff he has in him. He must be ready to rough it, to face monotonous toil, and to accept small wages until he gains experience in the work he has taken up.

Once he gets accustomed to Colonial conditions, he will be able to make his own terms, and demand full wages which are much higher here than in Great Britain. Even if he has a trade, he must not expect to get work at it straight away. He must take anything that comes along, and wait his opportunity to get a start at the work he has been trained to.

If he chooses employment on the land, which is the work most plentiful here, he must be content to begin on say, 10s. a week and his keep, rising as he gains experience to 15 or 20 or even 25. And if he wants to go further, he must learn to save every penny he earns, in the hope of acquiring land for himself and so becoming independent. There are most opportunities offered but they come only to thrift and hard work.

In order that if a man arrive here, and cannot be placed straight away on a farm, he need not remain about the city wasting his money, we have made arrangements so that he can go to a Government farm, where without payment he can get board and lodgings and learn to milk, plough, drive, and look after stock. After he has been a few months there, he is in a position to take anything offering in the country. At present, I have a locomotive driver on this farm, who arrived from Madras some time ago with a family of ten. He is getting on well, and when he takes up land for himself for dairying, his big family will come in very useful.

There is room here also for men on sheep and cattle stations, but they must be good riders, and prepared for a rough life. And there is a demand occasionally for pick and shovel men, at 7s. a day. Men who have been brought up to coal mining can always get work at from 8 to 15 a day.

If any non-commissioned officers have sons above the age of 15 years, let them send them to us, and we will place them first at the before-mentioned Government farm and then with respectable farmers, beginning at 7-6 or 10 a week and keep. There are already a number of lads from India working on farms here, and all doing well.

If a man has a small pension, the way is made much easier for him. But I would advise him first to go and work on a farm, and save his pension till he gains experience. Then he can launch out in dairying, fruit-growing or poultry and bee keeping.

The free passage to Australia or New Zealand is secured from the military authorities in India, not from the Immigration League of Australasia, but if any man comes to New South Wales, he will receive a bonus of £4 or £6 from the Government if he take up work on the land.

I trust I have made the state of affairs plain, so that no one shall complain of having been misled. But if not, we are always ready to give further information to those who write to us, addressing either of the Hon. Secretaries of the Immigration League of Australasia, Colonel Macarthur Onslow, or Mr. Vernour Nathan, at Bull's Chambers, Moore Street, Sydney, Australia.—Yours, ect.,

RICHARD ARTHUR, M. D.

President, Immigration League of Australasia.

ADDRESS TO A CORPORATOR.

A meeting of the friends and well-wishers of Mr. Motilal Jamnadas Sevaklal was held at Rambaug on Wednesday at 8-30 p.m. to present him with an address of congratulation on his being appointed a Justice of the Peace. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna presided. A large number of leading members representing different communities was present The address having been read, the President handed it over in a silver casket to Mr. Motilal. The address, amongst other things, mentioned that, for the last thirty years, there was not a single J. P. in the Lad Bania community, of which Mr. Motilal is a prominent and leading member, and consequently his appointment was hailed with joy by the community; that the public career of Mr. Motilal had won the approbation of the public, and therefore he was able to come out successfully as a Corporator from Bhuleshwar Ward for the first time, in the last strongly contested Municipal election which took place in January The meeting considered it appropriate to express its satisfaction on his also being nominated recently an Honorary Magistrate, which indicated an appreciation of his public career. The meeting believed that Mr. Motilal fully deserved the above distinctions. Several gentlemen addressed the meeting, eulogising the public career of Mr. Motilal, to which he gave a suitable reply. The meeting dispersed after a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

A WELL-KNOWN BHATIA FAMILY.

Interesting Adoption Ceremony.

BAI JEVANVAHOO, Senior Widow of the late Mr. Damodar Lukhmidas Khimji, took Mr. Devji, second son of Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey, in adoption as son to her late husband, Mr. Damodar Lakhmidas Khimji on the morning of the 16th instant, to perpetuate the line and name of her husband; and the performance of the religious ceremonies and all the ceremonies relating to the said adoption were performed by learned Shastris in the presence of Goswami Shri Deokinandan Maharaj and Mr. Girdharlal, of Messrs Bhaishankar Kanga and Girdharlal, friends, and relations.

The said Mr. Devji will henceforth be known as Devji Damodar Lakhmidas.

THE NEW CHIEF JUSTICE.

THE letters patent relating to the appointment of the Hon. Mr. Basil Scott as Chief Justice of Bombay are expected to arrive by to-day's mail steamer; and he will take charge of his office to-morrow from the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell, acting Chief Justice.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mr. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by medicine dealers everywhere.

SPORTING NEWS.

MUSKETRY SHOOTING RESULTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

The results of Musketry matches are as follows:—

1st, "C" Company, 2nd, B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteers with 240 points; 2nd, "H" Company 1st B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteers with 224 points; 3rd, "D" Company, 2nd B. B. and C. I. Railway, with 170 points.

Non-railway Corps—1st, the Baluchistan Volunteers, with 547 points; 2nd, the 1st Punjab Vols. with 187 points; 3rd, the 1st Punjab Vols. with 130. points.

H. E. the Commander in Chief's Cups.—British troops:—1st, 12th the Lancers with 55 points, next in order of merit being the Carabiniers, and the 1st R Warwickshire Regiment.

Native Troops:—1st, 18th Infantry with 43 points next in order of merit being the 36th Sikhs, the 26th Punjabis, and the Nanpara Cavalry.

Cups—British troops—1st, the Carabiniers with 246 points; 2nd, the 15th Hassars with 250 points; 3rd the 12th Lancers with 229 points.

Native troops:—1st, the 30th Lancers with 251 points; 2nd, the 2nd Lancers with 224 points: 3rd, the 4th Cavalry with 222 points.

The Playfair Cup:—1st, the Dehri Mounted Rifles with 225 points; 2nd, the Southern Provinces Mounted Rifles with 180 points.

The Cawnpore Woollen Mills Cups:—1st, the 2nd Rajput Light Infantry with 541 points; 2nd, the 113rd Gurkha Rifles with 536 points; 3rd, the 42nd Deoli Regiment with 533 points; 4th, the 29th Punjabis with 526 points; 5th, the Q. O. Corps of Guides (Infantry) with 520 points.

Messrs. Brooke, Bond and Co's Prize:—1st, the Carabiniers with 627 points; 2nd, the 1st Manchester Regiment with 586 points; 3rd, the 2nd Berkshire Regiment with 522 points; 4th, the 1st Queen's Regiment with 521 points; 5th, the 2nd South Stafford Regiment with 520 points.

THE PARSEE GYMKHANA.

The following is the report of the Parsee Gymkhana for the year ending 31st December:—

Your Committee have great pleasure in laying before you the Annual Report of the working of the Gymkhana during the year ending 31st December, 1907, as well as the balance sheet of accounts, which shows an apparent deficit of Rs. 565·10·7 at the end of the year, mainly due to the non-recovery of arrears of fees through certain unforeseen circumstances and also to the large item of expenditure in repainting the Pavilion. The total amount at the credit of our Institution however is Rs. 10,173-0-7. The Committee trust that this will be found satisfactory.

Members—The number of members on the rolls at the end of the year was 291; of whom 94 were life members, 135 subscribing members, and 62 on the absent list., There were during the year 17 new members elected, while 10 resigned.

Death—Your committee have to place on record their sense of regret at the loss the Gymkhana has suffered by the untimely death of a promising young member, the late Mr. S. F. Commissariatwalla, who had commenced to distinguish himself in outdoor games and also in time would have been as useful to the Institution as he was popular among the general body.

Cricket—Your Committee have great pleasure in putting on record the valuable services rendered by Messrs. J. M. Framji Patel and J. M. Divecha to the Indian Cricket by bringing about reconciliation between the Hindoo Gymkhana and the Parsee leading Cricket Clubs. Their thanks are also due to the Hindoo Gymkhana and the Maiden Clubs for their co-operation. This combined effort removed the barrier existing between the two communities as regards Cricket Matches and during the last rains, they are glad to say, several matches were played between the Hindoo Gymkhana and the local Parsee Cricket Clubs.

A programme of a similar character to that of previous seasons was satisfactorily gone through. 21 matches were played during the last rains, out of which 6 were won, 5 lost, and rest were drawn or abandoned.

Parsee Presidency Matches.—A new feature was introduced in the annals of the Indian Cricket last year. At a meeting of the representatives of the European, Hindoo and Parsee Gymkhanas, a suggestion was thrown out by your Honorary Secretary, Mr. J.M. Divecha, to play Triangular matches between the three communities during the rains, so that the public at large may have an opportunity of witnessing a carnival of 1st class Cricket in the "pukka" Cricket season. The suggestion having met with the approval of all the parties concerned the matches were played off in August last, on the Bombay Gymkhana ground. This judicious suggestions was also

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Captain C. S. Lowson, I. M. S., Superintendent, Central Prison, Ahmedabad, is granted, with effect from the 2nd May or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date and four months' study leave in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to twelve months.

Mr. K. W. Barlee, I.C.S., Assistant Judge, Ahmedabad, is granted privilege leave for three months' combined with special leave on urgent private affairs for three months with effect from the 8th May.

Mr. A. F. Kindersley, I.C.S., Assistant Collector, Karachi, to do duty as Assistant Judge and Sessions Judge, Ahmedabad vice Mr. K. W. Barlee, I.C.S., proceeding on leave.

Mr. A. B. Daniel, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Poona, is granted furlough on medical certificate for six months and four days with effect from 11th December 1907.

Mr. P. J. Taleyarkhan, Assistant Judge and Sessions Judge, Ratnagiri, to act as Judge and Sessions Judge, Kanara, during the absence on leave of Mr. C. C. Boyd, I.C.S., or pending further orders.

Mr. R. B. Ewbank, I. C. S, to be Assistant to the Collector of Ahmedabad.

Mr. A. S. A. Westropp, I. C. S., a Collector in Class III (officiating in Class II) of the Imperial Customs Service, is granted privilege leave for three months with effect from the 9th May.

Mr. F. B. P. Lory, M.A. (Oxon.), Educational Inspector, Northern Division, is granted privilege leave for one month and five days with effect from the 21st May for the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Miss A. E. Brooke, Lady Superintendent, Mahalaxmi Female Training College, Ahmedabad, is granted furlough for one year in combination with the summer vacation.

Mr. C. T. W. O'Brian to be Instructor to the Normal Class, and Superintendent of Workshops, College of Science, Poona.

1st Battalion, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Volunteer Rifle Corps.—Captain (Honorary Major) Arthur Charles Rumboll resigns his commission. Dated 26th November.

2nd Battalion, Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway Volunteer Rifles.—Spencer Oswal Heinemann to be 2nd Lieut vice Marryat, promoted. Dated 1st January.

His Excellency the Governor General of India is pleased to confer the Volunteer Officers' Decoration upon the undermentioned officer: 1st Battalion, Great Indian Peninsula Railway Volunteer Rifle Corps.—Captain (Honorary Major) George Henry Hubbard.

With effect from the 4th March, Mr. A H A Simcox, B.A, I C S, to be a First Assistant. Mr E G Turner, M A, I C S, to be a Second Assistant.

With effect from the 14th March, Mr A L M Wood, I C S, to revert as a First Assistant.

Mr. J. A. W. Cooper, Assistant Engineer, 2nd Grade, is granted privilege leave for three months combined with leave on medical certificate for nine months with effect from the 16th April.

Mr. F. L. Sprott, Executive Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent and Superintending Engineer, Class III, substantive pro tem., is permitted to return to duty within the period of his leave.

HONORARY PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

Under the provisions of Rule 2 of the rules for the guidance of the Benches of Honorary Presidency Magistrates the Chief Presidency Magistrate has appointed the Court of the Third Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Police Court, Fort, to be the Fourth Court of the Honorary Presidency Magistrates and has assigned and redistributed the services of the Honorary Presidency Magistrates to the Benches of the Girgaum, Mazagaon, Dadar and Fort Courts for the month commencing from the 14th April as follows:—

TO THE GIRGAUM BENCH—

Mr. Abdeali Mahomedalli Kajiji.
Dr. Ardeshir Dadabhoy Mody, L.M. and S.
Khan Bahadur Darasha Rattonji Chichghar.
Mr. Eknath Raghunath Khote.
Mr. F. F. Gordon.
Mr. Gordhandas Gokuldas Tejpal.
Mr. Gulam Hoosein Allana.
Mr. Frank Harrison.
Mr. Jagmohandas Vandravandas.
Mr. Jamshedji Manockji Framji Patel.
Mr. Jehangir Bamonji Petit.
Mr. K. Subramani Aiyar, B.A.
Mr. Kalliandas Keshowdas.
Mr. Mathuradas Gokuldas.
Dr. Meherjibhoy Rustomji Sethna, L. M. and S.
Mr. Motilal Jamnadas Shroff.
Rao Bahadur Nagardas Narotumdas Nanavati, B.A., LL.B.
Dr. Nanabhoy Naoroji Katrack, L. M. and S.
Mr. S. A. Nathan.
Mr. Naoroji Sorabji Bengali.
Mr. Pestonji Nasservanji Wadia.
Mr. Purshotumdas Mangaldas.
Rao Bahadur Rangnath Sadashiv Jayakar.
Mr. Shellim Ezekiel Shellim.
Mr. A. M. Tod.
The Honourable A. Hill Trevor.
Mr Tribhuvandas Mangaldas.

TO THE MAZAGAON BENCH.

Mr. Agashah Rukhsha.
Mr. Amiruddin Tyebji.
Mr. Anandji Nanji.
Captain S. G. D. Andrews.
Dr. Chunilal Dhuramdas Saraiya, L. M. & S.
Mr. Dhunjibhoy Bamonji Petit.
Dr. D. B. Naik Dandekar.
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THE LADIES' CORNER.

MORE A HATS.

There is no longer any doubt but that we Englishwomen have caught the Parisian fever for a new hat, writes a lady correspondent. And the millinerial efforts just now are surpassingly lovely and inviting. That is, if you go to the right places. The threatened side-sweep of the brim has arrived, and is among the constructional items to be closely followed up. The tendency is to render this *retrousee mouvement* very prominent through the medium of some bizarre bird's head, such as an owl's or a merle's, allied to some spikey aggressive tail feathers. A considerable share of the *chic* of the millinery of the moment can be traced merely to long, thin aggressively poised feathers; on every side that seems to be agreed, a similarly unanimous acceptance attending the *piquet* of flowers, which, in its way, is equally assertive, and always of an amazingly daring colour combination. On a cinnamon straw, a small shape with a high square style of crown there uprose at the left side one of these *piquets* comprised of giant wall-flowers shading from brown to flame, a giant stock of a pale mauve hue, and two or three realistically lovely little damask roses, all a-nodding and a-blooming as though directed by Nature's own intimate-handling. There are two fancies, though, which I would urge immediate exploitation, or else a steady avoidance. The first is the cap fril under-trim, a pretty, piquant adjunct that is far too easily acquired to provide for the requisite exclusiveness, and the other is the garniture of large cut beads. Used in moderation and in outside colours, the latter will probably carry through the Spring, but the summer will write their epitaph. A very read novelty is the straw floral wreath. One of these, in a delicate shade of ceries, manœuvered into the guise of cherries and attendant foliage, formed the brim to a toque of mole straw, that boasted for its decorative feature the ubiquitous high forest of osprey. And yet, with all these wondrous feather and flowe s fantasies, the most seductive hat to cross my plane of vision was a wide-brimmed Tuscan, more or less Romney in suggestion, adorned across the front with what I can only describe as a diadem ruche of white Melines lace. From behind this there floated, but laid flat against the crown, a mass of black osprey, but that seemed altogether subordinate to the lace ruche, while a black silk lining afforded a welcome relief to the brim. What time Ascot is at hand, I am promising myself to recall this elegant picture confection.

THE VOGUE FOR LARGE SHEPHERD PLAIDS.

These, according to the spirit in which they are approached, can be made at once the most bizarre and the most delightful spring suits imaginable. The daring size of the check demands the most careful treatment. The most attractive model to come my way, so far, owned two coats, the one a rather long, swallow-tail affair of black cloth, and the other a shorter design, with the basque cut up into shallow rounded tabs, and the fronts shaped away to display a waistcoat of black silk, embroidered in an Egyptian design of reds and blues. And it is significant to note that both these coats boasted the raised waist. Whereas, another model, emanating from a well-known tailor noted for an individual upholding of sartorial severity, was distinguished by a perfectly tight-fitting coat, the fronts cut sharply away, after closing with one large button over a vest of chamois leather cloth, fastening with dome-shaped silver buttons. At the same time black and white is not the only expression permitted this large plaid, the scheme running through all the approved nuances—suede, sorrel and musketeer green and Japan blues.

CRAZE FOR COARSE FISH-NET.

This has come in with such an amount of bluster and bustle, that there is every probability that its very fierceness will cause it to burn out quickly. However, to all whom it may concern, let me counsel the wisdom of avoiding the ordinary filet net, for this pronounced squaremesh quality, when not embroidered, is a prominent feature in at least every other afternoon model from Paris, where it fills the sleeve vacuum and tempering corsage draperies. Allied with Shantung, always dyed to a harmony, the effect is most happy. And of Shantung we can have our fill. The fresh varieties in the market include a quality with almost a ribbed surface. The latter, in neutral colourings, such as sued, biscuit, aluminium grey, and the like, sometimes run through with a pin-line stripe, builds into ideal tailor suits, which promise seriously to rival similar costumes effected in the time-honoured alpaca. A softer, more tussore-like finish is the fabric "par excellence" for the "habillee" gown, and is offered in such delicious colouring as to verify exhaust the tongue in applausive adjectives. Although more or less of an anomaly, here is the latest fad, a net shirt, laid in deep tucks, edged with a tiny crochet or guipure edging, and worn with one of the fashionable soft woven silk sash a heavily plaited silk fringe weighting the ends.

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Hymns—127, 134 and 136.
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Hymns—131, 134, 136, 139, and 141.

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BY THE WAY.

THE LATE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE.

The qualities of doggedness and straightforwardness, to which are attributed the weight and influence of the deceased statesman of the late Duke of Devonshire seem to have been a salient feature in the character of members of the House of Cavendish. Speaking of the third Duke of Devonshire, Dr. Johnson is reported by Boswell to have described him in terms that might with propriety be applied to his decendant:—He was not a man of superior abilities, but he was a man strictly faithful to his word. If, for instance, he had promised you an acorn, and none had grown that year in his woods, he would not have contented himself with that excuse; he would have sent to Denmark for it. So unconditional was he in keeping his word: so high as to the point of honour. And at another period the famous moralist in almost prophetic language commends the same nobleman for 'a dogged veracity."

AS LIBERAL CHIEF.

It is interesting to note (writes a correspondent) that up to time Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman was chosen as Liberal chief the Duke of Devonshire (as Lord Hartington) had enjoyed the distinction of being the only leader of either of the two great parties elected or appointed at a party meeting. Generally speaking, neither of the political chiefs is nominated or formally elected by his followers. In the case of Lord Hartington in 1875, though it was understood he was nominated by Mr. Gladstone as his successor, he was elected leader at a special meeting of the Liberal Party in the Reform Club, but as the other candidates mentioned for the position had withdrawn there was no direct voting.

THE DUKE AND MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

In this connexion may be recalled the first breach between Duke and Mr. Chamberlain, which occurred on a memorable night that marked the heated debates on flogging in the Army. As Leader of the Liberal Opposition, Lord Hartington had not taken up the strong line of action desired by many of his followers, and at the first opportunity Mr. Chamberlain jumped to his feet and in an angry speech spoke of Lord Hartington as the "late Leader of the Liberal Party!"

MARSHALL LANNES.

The Duc de Montebello has given the French Government to understand that, if the ashes of Zola are deposited in the Panthéon, those of his own ancester, the first Duc de Montebello, must be removed. The first Duke, who is thus assumed to recent the proximity, even in death, of one who has "insulted the Army," is better known as Marshal Lannes. He was the son of a liverystable-keeper, and found his Marshal's baton in his knapsack during the Napoleonic wars. He won special glory, not only at Montebello in the Morengo campaign, but also at Aboukir, Acre, Austerlitz, Jena, Eylau, and Friedland. In the end he died of a wound inflicted by a cannon-ball, which carried off both his legs, at Aspern.

DR. GUTHRIE AND THACKERAY.

Lord Guthrie, one of the judges of the Court of Session, contributes a prefatory memoir of his father the great Dr. Guthrie, to a collection of papers, now issued in volume form, which the famous preacher and philantrophist contributed to "Good Words" in 1863. The book is entitled "Parables of Our Lord, Read in the Light of the Present Day" (Pitman and Sons). In 1851 Thackeray was in Edimburgh, and along with Robert Chambers, the publisher, went to hear Guthrie: Very odd (wrote Dr. Guthrie to a friend). I begam my discourse by allusion to a sublime picture which appeared in "Punch" some years ago, called "The Poor Man's Friend." A wretched old man is pictured a corpse, on a miserable bed in a miserable garret, with no one there but Death wrapt in a winding-sheet, with his skeleton face only seen. The idea, if appears, was Tackeray's and the lines illustrating it. Tackeray . . . whished to see me. I had an hour's talk with him at the Ragged School. With tears in his eyes. he said to me, "Tis is the finest sight in Edinburgh." . . . A humane, kind-hearted man, Tackeray. Mr. Gladstone saw in Guthrie "an assemblage of all the virtues and graces which adorn the Christian."

"SCUM OF THE COUNTRY."

At a meeting in Willis's Rooms in 1871 Dr. Guthrie told how well the Ragged School boys and girls got on in the Colonies: The Attorney-General for Australia followed, and took exception to the idea, saying, "We don't want the scum of this country flung on our shores." When he finished, Dr. Guthrie lifted a sheet of white paper which lay on the chairman's desk, and held it up before the great audience. . "Scum of this country!" he repeated, with flashing eye and quivering voice, "Scum of this country? Yes! Once! What does that prove? Does the Attorney-General not know what this pure paper was made from? I will tell him. It was made from the foulest Russian rags. These, our sons and our daughters, were dead, and are alive again. They were lost and are found." On the drink question he always held strong opinions. "You will," he once said, "make no conquest of the misery, the rags, and the debasement of our country till the Christian Church turns its face, in right earnest, and grapples with our drinking customs."

CARLYLE IN 1856.

Dr. Guthrie visited Carlyle at Chelsea in 1856, and thus described the Sage: Carlyle has an eagle-like look in his great eyes. Hair half-grey, and a strong Dumfriesshire tongue. He was most kind and courteous. I got him upon the neglect of the uneducated and lapsed classes. He and I were quite at home. He lightened and thundered away in sublime style at the heads of governments, ladies, and gentlemen, and this selfish world. As he swung his arms, clenched his fists, and glared round with his black beard and grisly hair, he looked to me like an incarnation of Thor or Woden. A very interesting feature of the volume are twelve quaint illustrations by the late Sir John Millais.

ONLY A BUTTON.

If the waistcoat-button found on the scene of the Long-acre gagging outrage leads to the discovery of the culprit, it will not be by any means the first time a similar clue has brought a criminal to justice. In the Black Museum at New Scotland Yards is a fragment of a button found on the window-sill of a house which had been entered by burglars. It was the only clue the police had to work on, but in the hands of a keen-eyed young constable it led to the arrest of its owner, whom the constable met casually in the street wearing the very waistcoat, with its broken button, of which the fragment had formed a part. The murderer of Mr. Delarue, in Belsize-lane, Hampstead, some years ago, was brought to the gallows through the instrumentality of a mackintosh-button found near the body of his victim.

PROSPECTING.

["I do not believe," Dr. Claye Shaw says, "that women are particularly desirous of fitting from one man to another. They are simply prospecting."]

Who dares, incautiously, to cry
That, with inconstant heart,
And wanton mien, and roving eye,
Sweet Sophonisba wanders by,
and steps apart
From all of us who would beguile
Her fleeting fancy, with a smile,
To stay—not merely for while—
To heal the smart
That in our manly hearts she causes
By making brief and fitful pauses?
Not ours to rove from maid to maid
As she from man to man!
Our conscious virtue we parade—
Each vainly hopes that she dismayed.
His soul will scan
And find she has no need to go
To What's-his-name, and so-and-so.
(No one of us admits, you know,
That e'er there can
Be aught to show that "he's" been flirting
A contretemps most disconcerting!)
When Sophonisba chooses me
To fill her fountain-pen
My cup of bliss is full. But she
With Jones's cigarettes makes free;
Takes Smith to shop with her, and tea.
And shall I, then,
Dismiss her, scornful, from my mind?
Proclaim her falsest of her kind?
Good gracious, no! She is, I find,
"Comparing" men.
She's but prospecting when she teases—
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CONTEMPORARY OPINION.

WATER WORKS IN EASTERN BENGAL.

The "Pioneer":—A loan of Rs. 1,50,000 has been granted by the Eastern Bengal Government to the Narainganj Municipality for their water works scheme, and under the vigorous administration of the Chairman, Mr. Morgan, it is anticipated that the supply of good water to the town will not long be delayed. In the town of Dacca minor improvements have been carried out, the settling tanks have been cleaned and the river sand renewed in all the filters. The daily average delivery increased from 306,958 gallons to 308,818 gallons, but this is regarded as wholly unsatisfactory for a population of over 90,000. A scheme for remodelling and largely extending the water-works is at present under the consideration of Government in the Public Works Department. In Chittagong a scheme has been initiated for the supply of drinking water from a large tank by means of pumps to a reservoir whit a capacity of 45,000 gallons 9,650 feet of piping have already been laid with 41 standposts. Experiments with artesian wells have also been made and one boring has been successfully put down, water being reached at about 700 feet below the surface. The new water-works at Gauhati were lately opened, but owing to the delay in the supply of the pump the old pump had to be utilised with disastrous results, as it broke down repeatedly. The Lieutenant-Governor is glad to be able to record that generally speaking there are distinct signs of interest being shown by Municipal Commissioners in providing a pure water supply, and he is glad to record his appreciation of the efforts made in many towns. They may count on every consideration being given to application for loans from Government for these important works if well considered schemes are submitted.

MANGO BLOSSOM.

The "Statesman":—The mango blossom, of which there has been this year in most places even a richer profusion than usual, figures prominently in Indian poetry and mythology. In the famous drama, Sakuntala, the flower is invoked as one of the five arrows of Kamadeva, the Indian Cupid. Then Amradarika, the friend and follower of Buddha, was the daughter of the mango tree, and she gave as a gift to the Master the mango grove Amravana. There is also the Indian story of Surya Bai, the daughter of the Sun. This princess, persecuted by a sorceress, escaped by becoming a golden lotus. The king fell in love with the flower, so the sorceress burnt it. From the ashes grew a mango tree, and the king fell in love, first with the flower and then with the fruit. When the fruit was ripe it fell to the ground, and from it emerged Surya Bai, who was recognised by the prince as his lost wife. The mango is also one of the "panchapallav" or aggregate of five springs used in Hindu ceremonials, and the flowers are used in Shiva worship on the day of Maha Shivatri in the month of Magh. The leaves are familiar features in the decorations of Hindu houses and "mandaps" on festive occasions. The tree itself is said to be at incarnation or a transformation of Prajapati, the god of creation.

DUSTLESS ROADS.

The "Statesman":—The Chief Engineer to the Corporation of Calcutta apparently has little faith in patent road dressings for the prevention of dust. He reports that five systems have been tried under varying circumstances, and in no case has the result afforded the least hope. But the charming little Welsh town Llandaff has been making some experiments of its own with a process which has no specific name, involves no special preparation, and so far as we are aware, is not a patent of any kind. It consists simply in an endeavour to bind together the usual materials of road surfaces by tar instead of water. Upon a considerable length of old road was placed a layer of small stones one-eighth of an inch in size, coated with a preparation of tar. Over this metal was spread and rolled slowly, the process of rolling being described as "enticing rather than forcing the under layer to penetrate upwards through the voids." By this means the old binding of gravel and water is altogether abolished. The experiment was commenced in August last, and it is now reported that nothing has since been spent upon this particular stretch of road and that it has created neither dust nor mud. Of course the Welsh climate is not that of Calcutta, and it may well be that what suits the conditions there would be useless in India. But at any rate the success of this particular trial has created an impression, and it is to be extended

CEYLON RAILWAYS.

The "Ceylon Observer":—The Sub-Committee of the Lowcountry Products Association have done good service by their very full and outspoken Report in review of all that took place during 1903-04 in respect of Railway Extension to Puttalam. Without going quite so far as the Sub-Committee—for, we scarcely think they have made full allowance for "canal" opposition—yet, the margin on their estimate of profit clearly shows that they have made out a good case for the further and careful consideration of the question by Government. A return of 5 per cent is more than sufficient to satisfy official requirements as to interest and sinking fund; while the Report (which we reproduced in our issue yesterday) makes out a return of 8 1-2 per cent. There is ample room here for emendations and reductions without affecting the point that Railway Extension to Puttalam is a safe investment for public money. We wrote lately that the Renard system of locomotion might well be tried on the road North of Negombo and on towards Chilaw and Puttalam, so soon as the railway was opened to the capital of our cinnamon district *par excellence*. But with the Report of Drs. Marcus and Solomon Fernando and Mudaliyar Rajapakse before us, we would urge the Governor and his Executive Council to take into serious consideration the great advantage of arranging to carry railway construction without intermission, if not all the way to Puttalam in a second section, at least to Chilaw or Marawila; while the success of the first division would supply all needful confidence to construct the final section to Puttalam by the time the second was out of hand. It is as certain as anything of the kind can be that the exceptionally rich Marawila and Madampe district will afford a profitable traffic both in goods and passengers, and there really can be no good reason why there should be any time lost in extending the Government Railway up to the 42nd or even 50th mile from Colombo, with due preparation to follow this Extension with a further instalment of 30 miles until the Salt metropolis and the headquarters of an increasing expanse of coconut cultivation is reached. So far from weakening the credit and finances of Government, the Railway works thus advocated are bound to add to the general revenue of the colony, increase the available surplus for public works and so strengthen its financial position. We need scarcely say that there is not the slightest possibility of this comparatively easy and distinctly profitable undertaking, interfering in the least with the other Railways projects which have already been refused by Sir Henry Blake's Government.

BERI-BERI AND EPIDEMIC DROPSY.

The "Indian Medical Gazette":—Are Beri-Peri and Epidemic Dropsy, both of which have recently been prominent in Calcutta and Howrah, one and the same disease? Dr. Frederick Pearse, the Health Officer of Calcutta, expresses the opinion that there are strong grounds for holding that such is the case Epidemic Dropsy, which was first described in 1877 on the strength of a few cases; has reappeared locally during the past few months, and at the same time there has occurred the outbreak of Beri Beri at the Alipore Reformatory. In the absence of any positive or negative bacteriological evidence, Dr. Pearse falls back upon a comparison of the courses and symptoms of the two diseases, and he states that there is a considerable proportion of cases in a Beri-Beri outbreak which would be absolutely indistinguishable from so-called Epidemic Dropsy. In addition there is absolutely nothing known connected with the causation of either disease which tends to distinguish them. They are both essentially household diseases, there is little fever present in either, and when it is present it does not pursue any regular course. The combination of symptoms in the two complaints is, further, very similar. Finally, death is brought about in a similar manner, and the sum of all these considerations, the details of which are very fully discussed in Dr. Pearse's paper, leads him to the belief that we shall have to look to some one specific microbe as the cause of both diseases.

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THE SALE of 5 victorias and 1 mail phaeton advertised to take place to-day, at Mazagon, by order of R. D. Setlna, Esq., Acting Official Assignee, has been POSTPONED until further notice.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY.
SALE OF FURNITURE AT LANOWLEE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 18th, and SUNDAY, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m. each day, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at old Khandala Road (or Rajoo Babaji Road), opposite the bungalow of Mr. Gooljee Singani, Lanowlee, the valuable and handsome French-polished teak and blackwood dining-room, drawing-room, office and bed-room furniture by Robert, Breslaur and Devji Canji and others, consisting of dining table and chairs, sideboard, dinner-waggon, English mahogany sofas and chairs, cabinets, carved pier tables, iron and brass bedsteads, mirror and panel door almyrahs, marble-topped dressing and wash-hand tables, chest-of-drawers, Curzon easy chairs, English flower vases, table ornaments, windproof lamps, English tower clocks, striking hour and half hours, ice box with refrigerator, historical engravings and oil pictures, new home sewing machine, English 18-carat gold watch, velvet and Brussel's carpets, majolica jardiniers, rich glassware and crockery ware, cases of spoons, forks and knives, etc.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 20th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.) Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following:

Furniture such as sofas, easy and light chairs, bedstead, cupboards, almirah, chest-of-drawers, writing, dressing and wash-hand tables, large Chatwood safe.

1 large size English double door safe by John Lord, 51 by 51 by 33 inches, suitable for bank or office.

1 quarter plate "Ideal" hand camera with kit and chemicals.

Several gent's bicycles by different makers.

1 rubber-tyred vis-a-vis.
1 " victoria.
1 double seated brougham.

AUCTION SALE of 1 Parcel No. 24 containing 519 Very Valuable Pearls, returned from Europe.

On WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, in Bank Street, by order of Mr. Ganeshlal Sobhagmul, and on account and at the risk of the estate of the late Mr. Hirabhai Ghelabhai—

1 parcel No. 24 containing 519 very valuable pearls returned from Europe, about 310 chows.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance to be paid and the pearls taken delivery of within 2 days from the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF THE VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT HOMJEE STREET, NEAR THE COMMISSARIAT OFFICES, FORT.

Under instructions from the Administrator-General of Bombay, as the administrator of the estate of the late Kaikhusroo Meherban Irance, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 24th day of April, 1908, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), the following valuable landed property on the premises:—

All that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate lying and being on the west side of the Homji Street in the Fort and Island of Bombay and containing by the admeasurement 195 square yards or thereabouts, be the same little more or less situate in A Ward, bearing Ward No. 1583, Street No. 6-8-10-12-14-16, and which is bounded as follows: That is to say, on the east by the Byramji Homji Lane, on the south by the Military Store House, on the north by the public road, and on the west by the property of Dinshawjee Cursetji Colah.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable Landed Property at Mumbadevi Road, opposite the Mumbadevie Temple.

Under instructions from the mortgagees Messrs Hargovan Manchand and Manilal Hargovan and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagor Bai Ambabai, widow of Jadia Gordhandas Manchand, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 25th April, 1908, at 5 p.m (S.T.), under and by virtue of the Power of Sale reserved to the mortgagees in the Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 5th day of October, 1905, the following landed property on the premises.

All that piece or parcel of Fazandari land together with the messuage, building or tenement standing thereon situate at Shaikh Memon Street, outside the Fort, and assessed by the Assessor of Municipal Taxes under Ward No. 192, Street Nos. 369, 371, 373 and 375 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Kastoor Kallian, on or towards the West by the property of Jadia Ambalal Bhabalias, on or towards the North by the Mumbadevi Tank Road and on or towards the South by the property known as Khema Chawl. The land admeasures about 58 square yards.

For Further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Dapthtary Ferreira and Divan, Solicitors for the mortgagees herein, at their office at No. 109, Medows Street, Fort, or to the undersigned.

On TUESDAY, the 28th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Northcote House, Apollo Bunder, opposite the Taj Mahal Hotel, the valuable and handsome French polished teakwood and blackwood household furniture such as dining table and chairs, mirrored sideboard and dinner waggon, drawingroom suite of sofas and chairs, marble-topped tables and teapoys, cabinets, corner whatnots, bedsteads, mirror door almyrahs, clothes and gown presses, chest of drawers, marble-topped dressing, and washand tables, sweet toned ebonized cottage piano by Rose & Co., windproof table and hanging lamps, glassware, crockeryware, plated ware, fancy table ornaments, carpets, etc., the property of B. W. Thompson, Esq. and others.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

BONA FIDE SALE.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), at "Mount Ida," Anstey Road, Altamont, Cumballa Hill, the property of George McKenzie, Esqr:—

Handsome dining, drawing and bedroom furniture, very handsome extra large carved and polished teak sideboard with special trays for table linen, drawer lined green baize for table, silver and fitted drawer to receive full service for 24 persons, carved side table to match, telescope dining table and 12 carved armchairs to match.

Very handsome selected figured teak polished bedroom suite, consisting of large wardrobe with mirror-hanging press, drawers and cupboard with jewel tray, dressing table with drawers and cupboard to match, large hanging cupboard with deep drawers below to match, and small corner cupboard to match.

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On SUNDAY, the 19th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. J.S. MODY & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at No. 11, Queen's Road, Fort, opposite the Church Gate Station, the valuable and artistic design dining, drawing, office and bedroom furniture, such as dining table, chairs, large mirror back side board with mirror, whatnots, meatsafe, marble top circular tables and teapoys, corner and side cabinets, hall chiffoniers, drawingroom suites of sofas and chairs, office table and book-cases, single and double bedsteads, mirror door almyrah, and chest-of-drawers, tiled top teapoy, dressing and wash-hand tables, Persian carpets, rich glass and porcelain ware by Treachers, best silver plated ware by Reed and Barton, Hinks lamps, large size Hindoostani sirs, musical box with cabinet and spare rollers, ebonized solid iron frame, nearly new, cottage piano by Soundy and Co., 80 lbs. officer's tent, etc., etc., the property of Captain P. F. Pocock, Deputy Adjutant-General.

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By order of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, the following unclaimed articles such as one gold ring, silver bangles, embroidered cap, pieces of gold embroidered silk, Cashmere and cotton shawls, pieces of satin, silk tapestry, wearing apparels, crettone, curtain, watches, cotton and silk handkerchiefs, dressing bag with fittings, and Japanese feather fans, etc.

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1 bay Arab, quiet in harness.

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AUCTION SALE of China Prints Fents, Gramophone and Stationery.

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A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

On WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at No. 20, Queen's Road, Marine Lines, near the Marine Lines Station, the very valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood plain and carved F. P. household furniture of the latest design, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware by Reed and Barton, dining table and chairs, large sideboards and dumbwaiters, drawing-room suites of sofas and chairs, large size drawing-room cabinets, single and double glass door almyrahs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments, rich pictures and oleographs, chest-of-drawers, marble-top dressing and wash-hand tables, brass and iron single and double bedsteads, Hink's and Ditmar's table and hanging lamps, rich Persian and Brussel's carpets, etc., etc.

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Under instruction from the widow of the late Mr. A. Fraschair, Messrs. BENNETT & Co will, on TUESDAY, the 28th instant, at 2 p.m (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, at the Military Square Lane, Fort, above Elysian Hall, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood plain and carved household furniture, rich glass crockeryware, best platedware, dining table and chairs, sideboards and dumbwaiters, drawing-room suites, drawingroom cabinets, glass door almyrahs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments, rich picture and oleographs, marble-top dressing and washhand tables, brass and iron single and double bedsteads, Hink's and Ditmar's table and hanging lamps, rich carpets etc., etc., the property of the late Mr. A. Fraschair and others.

Catalogues will be published and the property on view four days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES at Shaikh Memon St. and Khara Koowa.

Under instructions from R. D. Setna, Esqr., the Receiver appointed in suit No. 975 of 1907 (Mahomed Hooseln Matar vs. Gulab haid Hirabhai Ghelabhai and another) Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, on the days and time mentioned below, sell by Public Auction, on the premises the following very valuable landed properties:—

On THURSDAY the 30th inst., at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.) on the premises.

All that piece or parcel of Fazandari land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon situate without the Fort walls of Bombay, at Shaik Memon Street in the registration sub-district of Bombay, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under ward No. 319, Street No. 486-488 and containing by admeasurement 1211 sq. yds. or thereabout and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the east by the Shaik Memon Street, on or towards the west by the Sweeper's passage and on or towards the north by the property of Ramdass Purshotam and on or towards the south by the property of Jumnas Gooculdas and Bhaijibhai Amalias.

On THURSDAY, the 30th inst., at 5 p.m. (S. T.), on the premises at Khara Koowa.

All that piece or parcel of pension and tax land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwellinghouse standing thereon lying and being without the Fort of Bombay, at Shaik Memon Street or Khara Koowa near Mumbadevi in the registration sub-district of Bombay assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under ward C No. 300-301, street No. 24 2C containing by admeasurement 58-8 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of land revenue under old No. 115 and new No. 897-898, old survey No. 171 and 172, and new survey No. 1429 and 1430 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the east by the house formerly of Deveband Callian and now of Jagannath Gopinath, on or towards the west by the house formerly of Soni Bechal Purshotam and now of Valjee Maharaj of Kakroli; on or towards the south by the property of Maniram Chanducial and now of Ganeshdas Sobhagmal, and on or towards the south by a lane or passage.

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HIS FLAT IN ORDER.

The author of "His House in Order," who has forsaken his house in Hamilton Terrace, and resides now in a flat in Hanover Square, abominates an untidy room. His books stand upon their shelves like soldiers on parade. They would pass inspection at a trooping of the colour. He never sits down to a soiled blotting-pad; always to a fresh one. His pens, his pen-tray, and his paper-weight are all radiantly innocent of dried ink. A blot upon either of these would be to him like a blot upon his scutcheon. His waste-paper basket is cleared as often as a pillar-box. And the rest of the rooms, and all that in them is, take after his study.

HIS BICYCLE.

Some years ago, when Mr. Pinero was staying next door to the Old Ship at Brigton, he had a bicycle with him, the extraordinary brightness of which, could it have been reproduced by photography, would have been the talk of the metal-polish industry. Its brilliance was positively dangerous. It got in the eyes of the flymen on the King's Road, and made them blink from the Aquarium to the Green. If at that time you saw a man riding along in Brighton on two revolving suns, it was Pinero out cycling.

GOSSIP.

The Pinero maid was the neatest maid ever beheld outside musical comedy, and one day the landlady heard the servants in the kitchen discussing her smartness. "Well," said one of the girls to another. "I reckon me an' you could keep pretty tidy, if all we 'ad to do was to comb Mrs. Pinero's 'air and bruh Mr. Pinero's like!" She polished it up with a duster three times a day—except on Fridays, when (so it was alleged) it was cleaned with the silver.

"W. W. J."

Mr. W. W. Jacobs, whose quaint little comedy, *The Changeling*, has just been produced successfully in front of "When Knights Were Bold," at Wyndham's, is another extremely tidy son of Literature. The stranger might imagine from his plays and his books that he was a large, straggling, carelessly-dressed Bohemian, with a towing-path walk, a ragged head, a more ragged handwriting, and a habit of emptying the ashes of his pipe on to the carpet. But to think this of W. W. Jacobs would be to libel him most grossly. He is a spruce, smooth-haired, clean-shaven young man, as tidy in his ways as in his dress, and with the air about him, but not the "side," of a stock-broker's head clerk.

EARLY TRAINING.

Mr. Jacobs caught his neatness from the Post Office Savings Bank, in which, for some years, he acted as an expert in "immediate" and "deferred" annuities, "withdrawals and transfers," "lost deposit books," "nominations," "Married Women" (section IX of "General Information"), and other complicated matters; and his "W. W. J.," inscribed in a wondrously tidy fashion, considering the rapidity of its execution, has testified some thousands of times to the confidence entertained by the public in the then Two and Three-quarters per cent. Consolidated Stock, Local Loans Three per cents., and Guaranteed Irish Lands. To be associated in one's youth with things like that is to lay in a supply of neatness warranted to last a life-time.

AND OTHERS.

Mr. Alfred Sutro is another contradiction of the popular notion concerning "the dramatist at home." He is not so desperately methodical as Mr. Pinero but he detests muddle and untidiness for his surroundings when at work. If he makes a "wide" when aiming a pelleted error at the waste-paper basket, he leaves his chair in search of the misdirected screw, and, when he has found it, makes sure of a bull's-eye by deliberately placing it where he had intended it should go. If Mr. Sutro were a carpenter instead of a writer, he would pick up the chips after every bit of planing, and separate the screws from the nails after every bit of joining. Mr. Henry Arthur Jones writes his plays in an atmosphere of bank-like order; Mr. Haddon Chambers does not bother much one way or the other, though he prefers a tidy study if someone will clean up after him; Mr. J. M. Barrie, a little wild at the beginning of his career with his papers, dropped into neat habits when he became wealthy—and employed a secretary; and Mr. Hubert Henry Davies, the author of "The Mollusc," is more tidy than otherwise, in his study and particularly neat in his dress.

THE EXCEPTION.

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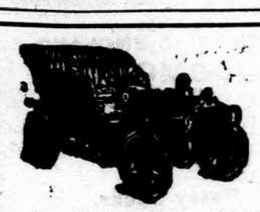

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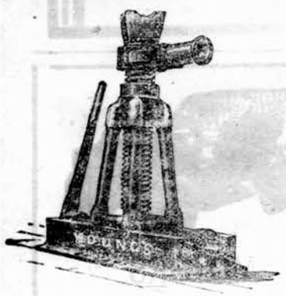

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"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The services of Mr. C. E. O. Goument, Superintending Engineer, Punjab, are temporarily placed at the disposal of the Government of the United Provinces.

Mr. W. A. Bagley, Executive Engineer, Punjab, is appointed to officiate as Sanitary Engineer, vice Mr. Goument.

Mr. W. B Gordon, C. I. E, Superintending Engineer, Punjab, is appointed to officiate as Chief Engineer and Secretary to the Government of the Punjab.

Mr. R. E. Purves, Executive Engineer, Punjab, is appointed to officiate as Superintending Engineer.

Mr. Edward L. Gavaghan has been appointed by the Secretary of State for India to the Superior Accounts Branch as an Assistant Examiner and is posted to the office of the Examiner of Accounts, Bombay.

Mr. W. R. Stevenson, officiating Deputy Examiner of Accounts, is permanently appointed to the Superior Accounts Branch with the rank of Deputy Examiner.

Mr. W. Kelly, Accountant, is permanently appointed to the Superior Accounts Branch with the rank of Deputy Examiner.

Mr. A. Krishnaswami Rao, Accountant, Office of the Examiner of the Public Works Accounts, Madras, is appointed to officiate as Deputy Examiner in the Superior Accounts Branch of the Public Works Department.

Mr. Pushkar Lal, Assistant Engineer, is transferred from the Eastern Bengal State Railway to the North Western Railway.

Mr. G. W. N. Rose, Assistant Engineer has been granted by the Secretary of State an extension of leave on medical certificate without pay for 6 months.

The services of Mr. W. H. K. Howard and Major P. Ashworth, Executive Engineers, are temporarily placed at the disposal of the Governments of Bombay and Madras, respectively, from 1st January 1908.

SEASON IN BOMBAY.

The following telegram from the Government of Bombay was sent to the Government of India, dated 15th April :—

Slight rain during week in parts Sind, Kanara, Deccan, Karnatak and Savantvadi. Standing rabi crops generally in good condition except for slight damage by hail-storm in parts Sukkur. Harvesting of rabi crops in progress in parts Sind, Gujarat, Kolaba, Kanara, Khandesh, Ahmednagar, Dharwar, Kathiawar, Baroda, Palanpur and Rewa Kantha. Threshing continues in parts Larkana, Upper Sind Frontier, Thar and Parkar, Kaira, Broach, Kolaba, Khandesh, Nasik, Baroda and Mahi Kantha. Cotton picking progressing in parts Gujarat, Karnatak, Baroda, Kathiawar, Cutch and Rewa Kantha. Preparation of lands for next season generally in progress. Supply of fodder adequate except in parts Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Kaira, East Khandesh, Nasik, Ahmednagar, Mahi Kantha and Baroda. Agricultural stock generally in good condition and sufficient except in parts Ahmednagar, Poona, Sholapur and Cutch. Supply of drinking water sufficient except in parts Panch Mahals, Ratnagiri, East Khandesh, Ahmednagar and Sholapur. Water for irrigation insufficient in parts Panch Mahals, Surat, Deccan, Baroda and Kathiawar Quantity of food-grains purchasable per rupee in Sind 37 to 50 per cent., in Gujarat 32 to 68 per cent., in Konkan 18 to 33 per cent., in Deccan 29 to 46 per cent. and in Karnatak 35 to 65 per cent. less than normal. Stocks of grain generally adequate. Demand for labour generally sufficient and wages normal. Cultivating and labouring classes in fair condition. Daily average numbers for week ending 4th instant —works—Panch Mahals 3,470, West Khandesh 126 ; gratuitous—Panch Mahals 192, West Khandesh 548, Nasik 52, Poona 151, Sholapur 319.

CALCUTTA LIGHTSHIP "PLANET."

Wreck Raised.

CALCUTTA, APRIL 16.

The wreck of the lightship "Planet" has been raised.

EMPIRE DAY SHOOTING COMPETITIONS.

Challenge Trophy Offered.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

The following telegram has been received from the Earl of Selbourne, High Commissoner for South Africa, to the Viceroy, dated 4th instant :—

"I beg to inform you that the National Rifle Association, with the approval of Mr. Haldane and Lord Elgi , have accepted a hundred guinea challenge trophy from Lieutenant Colonel Raymond Schumachen Wilwater, 2nd Rifles, to be competed for throughout the British Empire annually on Empire Day commencing this year under the following conditions, of which fuller details are being posted by the National Rifle Association, open to teams of 40 from any regiment, cavalry battalion, infantry brigade, artillery of regular volunteers and auxiliary forces, also any of His Majesty's ships service ; rifle sighter and 7 shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards from any position, head to target, second and third class, as used this year by the National Rifle Association teams. Limit—20 minutes per detail. But these details to be composed of a minimum of 8 members ; teams to be nominated before competing ; shooting to be on own ranges. Qualifications:—3 months' active and efficient membership of Corps. Entries to be cabled beforehand to the Secretary National Rifle Association, up to date, to be notified later. There is to be no entrance fee ; medal to be awarded to each member of winning team. Results to be certified by two independent Regimental officers and must be forwarded on the day of shooting to the Secretary of the Association, Bisley, England ; also name, team and total of score to be cabled in words. Owing to Empire Day falling on Sunday, and Monday not being a holiday, shooting everyw here is permissible either on 23rd, 24th, or 25th May, but only on one of these days.

"Will you kindly have this information promptly circulated in the necessary quarters so that teams may have due notice and time for practice before the coming Empire Day."

THE ISLAM CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Islam Club was held on Wednesday evening at the Club premises at Chowpati. In the absence of the President, Mr. Mahomedbhai Curimbhai, J. P., occupied the chair. The Report showed steady progress of the Club during the past year. The total number of members was 108. The total income was Rs. 4,955 and the total expenditure Rs. 4,493 ; thus at the end of the year there was a saving of Rs. 462. During the year 10 new members were added. The Club has acquired a plot of ground from the Improvement Trust for the new club building. It faces the sea. It is proposed to spend about a lakh and a half over the building. It will have all the modern requirements and it will be fitted up with electric light. The following office bearers were elected for the ensuing year. President—Sir Curimbhai Ibrahim, K. T. Vice Predents :—Sir Adamji Pirbhai, K. T. Agha, Mirza Mahomed Shirazee, J. P., Sulaman Abdul Wahid J. P., and Hajee Jusaf, J. P. Honorary Secretaries:—Kazi Kabiruddin Bar-at-Law, J. P. and A. M. Kajiji, Bar-at-law, J. P. Treasurer—Haji Ismail Gul Mahomed, J. P. Auditor—Ghulam Husain Khairaj, Bar-at-law Members of the Managing Committee :—Sir Curimbhai, Sulaman A. Wahid, Haji Jusaf, Abdul Kadir, B. A. LL. B., Abdullabhai Lalji, Mahomedbhai Curimbhai, Haji Mahomed, J. P., Kasimalli Jarajbhai, Dr. C. Muushi, Tayebali K. Barodawalla, Tayebali Ismailji, Ismail Beg Mahomed, Abdulla Shakurbhai, Fazalbhai Curimbhai, J. P, A. M. Kajiji, Ismail Gul Mahomed, J. P., and Kazi Kabiroodin, J. P.

KARACHI FREIGHT MARKET.

KARACHI, APRIL 16.

There is no change to report in the freight market. Advices from Bombay show that there is a slightly better feeling in that market, but it does not influence local rates. Engagements during the week have been insignficant.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, APRIL 16.

Thunderstorms with rain have been numerous in South India, but over the rest of the country the weather has been dry. In Northern India, normal temperature conditions are being re-established.

In Burma, the skies are clear, except, in the south where the air contains an average amount of moisture, while the temperature is normal, except for the excess in parts of Upper Burma.

In North East India, the Orissa skies are free from cloud and the humidity is very largely below the average in most stations, while the temperature is normal in nearly the whole division. In the United Provinces, Central India, and the Central Provinces no clouds are reported and moisture has decreased generally below the average. The temperature has risen, but there is still a slight defect in many stations.

In the North West India, Sonemarg reports a light fall of snow and skies are lightly clouded in the extreme north, but clear elsewhere and humidity is nearly normal, except in Lower Sind and Gujerat, where the defect in temperature has risen. Now it is in defect only in East Punjab and South Rajputana.

In the Peninsula, the rainfall has been fairly widespread in the South, Pamban reporting one and half inches, Calicut two, Mercara and Trivandrum three-quarters, Trichinopoly and Salem half. Skies are moderately to heavily clouded. The area of rainfall is clear or lightly clouded ; elsewhere the moisture in the air, at most stations, is either equal to or above average. Temperature is approximately normal.

Forecast :—Thunder showers are again probable in South India.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that the vessels in the Bombay Harbour may, by comparis on with a standard instrument, ascertain the errors of their barometers.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32° F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time on the 16th April 1908 was 28,882 inches. The height of observatory barometer cistern above zero of tide gauge at Apollo Bunder is 10 feet. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide guge at Apollo Bunder was 8 feet at 8 a. m. (local time) The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer, supposing the reading to be 30 00 inches and that of attached thermometer 80° F. will be 14 inches, and this will be higher and lower by ·01 inch for each 4 degrees. In the case of aneroid no temperature correction required. Should the height of barometer cistern, either mercurial or aneroid, above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet, it will read higher of lower by ·01 inch for each 11 feet. The readings given above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 16TH APRIL, 1908.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Thursday, the 16th April, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

Punjab.—Skies are free from cloud and the air is drier than usual everywhere except at Lahore. Winds are northerly or north-westerly at Multan, Rawalpindi, Lahore and Ambala, southerly at Sirsa and westerly at Delhi. Day temperature has been 3° to 9° cooler than usual generally while yesterday's minimum was 2° in excess of normal at Rawalpindi and 4° to 6° in defect at Sirsa and Delhi.

United Provinces.—Skies are clear almost everywhere and the air is drier than usual generally. The direction of air movement is westerly or south-westerly at most places. Temperature both day as well as night has been 2° to 6° below the average generally.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are cloudless and humidity is moderately in defect of normal. Winds are westerly at Karachi, northerly at Jaipur while Ajmer and Kotah recorded calms. Temperature during day had been 5° in excess of normal at Karachi and 5° to 8° in defect at Jaipur and Kotah while weather during night was 5° to 6° cooler than usual generally.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are free from cloud and humidity is much below normal in all places except at Ahmedabad. Calms and variable breezes prevail generally. Weather during the day time had been 5°. to 9°.

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hotter than usual at Bhavnagar Para and Surat and 5°. cooler at Neemuch while yesterday's minimum was 4°. to 7°. below the average at Rajkot, Bhavnagar Para, Deesa, Neemuch and Indore.

Central Provinces.—Skies are clear and the air is considerably drier than usual generally. The direction of air movement is southerly or south-westerly at Jubulpore and Saugor, south-easterly at Chanda and Khandwa and northerly or north-easterly elsewhere Day temperature has been approximately normal or slightly below it at most places, while weather during night was 4°. to 7°. cooler than usual at Jubbulpore, Hoshangabad, Khandwa and Akola.

Konkan.—Skies are moderately or densely clouded everywhere except at Karwar and the quantity of moisture in the atmosphere has increased slightly at Bombay and Mormugao. Winds blow from the southerly or south-westerly direction generally. The maximum has been equal to the average at Ratnagiri and Karwar and slightly above it elsewhere and weather during night was slightly hotter than usual generally.

Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are lightly or moderately clouded at Ahmednagar and Sholapur while the air is considerably drier than usual in several places. Winds are westerly at Ahmednagar, Sholapur and Bijapur and easterly at Aurangabad while Malagaon and Hyderabad recorded calms. The maximum had been equal to the average at Sholapur and Hyderabad and 4° in excess at Malegaon, Amednagar and Bijapur while last night's minimum was 3° in defect of normal at Malegaon and 4° to 8° in excess in other places.

General Remarks.—Weather is fine with passing clouds.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Appended is yesterday's report of the Meteorological Reporter for Western India based on observations taken at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

Names of Stations.	Maximum temperature during the past 24 hours.	Minimum temperature during the past 24 hours.	Rainfall past 24 hours.	Rainfall since 1st Nov. to date.
Bushire (15th)	76·6	68·6	...	6·03
Jask (15th)	80·3	68·3	...	0·39
Muskat (15th)	87·3	77·1	...	0·93
Multan	97·8	68·5	...	1·36
Rawalpindi	82·9	62·1	...	10 43
Lahore	94·9	63·2	...	2·58
Sirsa	95·3	64·1	...	0·75
Ambala	88 5	65·0	...	2 30
Delhi	95·2	67·7	...	2·24
Agra	96·0	70·5	...	1·35
Mainpuri				
Jhansi				
Cawnpore	98·9	70·5	...	0·86
Allahabad	98·6	70·0	...	0 95
Jacobabad	103·1	67·3	...	1·77
Karachi	95·4	66 7	...	0·85
Ajmer	96·4	67·2	...	0·39
Jaipur	97·2	67 1	...	0·97
Kotah	96·0	72 6	...	0 47
Bhuj	101·1	69·0	...	0·49
Dwarka	97 8	74·7	...	0·09
Veraval	86 7	70·3	...	0·11
Rajkot	105·4	65·2	...	0·15
Bhavnagar Para	106·6	72·0	...	0·31
Surat	109·6	76·1	...	0·08
Ahmedabad	108·1	75·2	...	0·32
Deesa	106·3	66·9	...	0·10
Neemuch	96·0	64·7	...	0·31
Indore	99·6	66·1	...	0·34
Jubbulpore	100·0	63·8	...	0·73
Saugor	98·1	72·0	...	1·96
Hoshangabad	102·1	67·4	...	2·66
Khandwa	104·2	71·6	...	1·34
Akola	107·2	69·6	...	1·44
Amraoti	104·8	77·0	...	1·01
Nagpur	105·1	74·1	...	2·72
Chanda	106·5	74 5	...	2·10
Rajpur				1·65
Bombay	92·0	81·4	...	
Ratnagiri	89·8	79·9	...	0·22
Mormugao	92·5	80 4	...	0·11
Karwar	89·8	80·0	...	0·20
Malegaon	106·3	68·6	...	2 36
Ahmednagar	103·4	78·0	...	0·45
Poona				0·28
Sholapur	104·3	83·4	...	
Bijapur	103·2	79·2	...	0 20
Belgaum	98 3	70·6	...	0·83
Aurangabad	103·2	74·2	...	0·71
Nizamabad (Indur)	104 9	82 2	...	0 47
Hyderabad	102·3	79·2	...	2·15
Mangalore	92·2	76·4	...	1·15
Calicut	92·4	76·1	2·15	0·43
Cochin	86·8	76·7	0 01	13·03
Colombo	89·0	74·5	1·63	16·80
Masulipatam	?	78·1	...	34·87
Bellary	104·5	81·3	...	6·66
Cuddapah	105·2	81·6	...	2·26
Madras	93·0	77·5	...	5·69
Bangalore	93·3	69·8	...	23·24
Coimbatore	96·4	71·3	0·37	5·55
Trichinopoly	99·6	73·3	1·54	10·50
Negapatam	94·4	79·0	...	13·87
				32·03

H. MAYSTON,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

Rain is daily threatening to fall and the weather is very oppressive.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

The following are excerpts from the Proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 7th April.

Read the following Note by the Chairman, dated 6th April, on the Revenue Receipts for the year 1907 08 :—

The following is an abstract of the Revenue Receipts for the year which closed on 31st March:—

Head of Account.	Budget Estimates for year 1907-08.	Actuals in 1907-08.	Actuals in 1906-07.
General Account.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bunder Properties, including Land.	24,82,300	27,25,047	26,29,252
Prince's and Victoria Docks.	31,87,200	33,50,107	36,89,456
Merewether Dry Dock	1,80,000	1,73,578	1,62,733
Interest and Miscellaneous.	4,24,000	3,80,648	3,03,743
Total Genl. Account..	62,73,500	66,29,330	67,85,184
Port Department.....	2,11,500	2,26,416	2,78,311
Pilotage Receipts.....	2,25,600	2,25,506	2,43,700
Grand Total Rs...	67,10,600	70,81,392	73,07,195

The receipts were thus Rs. 3,70,000 better than the estimates.

The results of the year's operations compar with the previous year as follows :—

	1907-08. Rs.	1906 07. Rs.
Revenue	78,05,000	73 07, 00
Expenditure ...	65,66,000	62,65,000
Surplus ... Rs.	12,40,000	10,42,000
Deduct—Rebate on Shipping and Goods ...	7,25,000	.....
Net Surplus ... Rs.	5,15,000	10,42,000

The figures for 1907-8 are not final, as the actual expenditure is not yet known, but it is not anticipated that there will be any material change in the figures.

The results bear testimony to the continued advance in the Trade of the Port and to the satisfactory condition of the Trustees' finances, as, after allowing for an increase in expenditure of 3 lakhs, the surplus receipts aggregated Rs. 12,40,000 or Rs. 2 lakhs more than in 1906-07. Allowing for the rebate made in the charges on shipping and goods which aggregeted Rs. 7¼ lakhs, the actual surplus to be carried to the credit of the Revenue Reserve Fund will amount to, in round figures, Rs. 5 lakhs.

The traffic statistics are not yet available.

Resolution—Recorded.

Read letter from the Chief Engineer, dated 30th March, requesting sanction to take in hand the work of laying water mains on the Mazagon Tank under Reclamation provided in the Budget for 1908-09.

Submitted plans and detailed estimate of cost amounting to Rs. 30,914-1 0 forwarded under Chief Engineer's letter, dated 6th September 1907.

Resolution.—The plan and estimate, the latter amounting to Rs. 20,913, are sanctioned, and the work may be proceeded with to the debit of the provision in the Budget, 1908 09, Section I, Capital item 10.

Read letter from the President, Pombay Hindu Plague Relief Committee, dated 23rd March, requesting that the Trnstees will allow the ereetion of huts for the use of poor people in plague time for two months ending 31st May 908 on the vacant land on the west side of Reay Road and to the north of Connaught Cross Road opposite the New Kaisar-i-Hind S. & W. Mills and that the occupation may be allowed free of charge.

Read reports by the Traffic Manager and the Chief Engineer, dated 2nd April, and 31st March.

Resolution—The use of the land for the purpose referred to may be allowed free of charge for the period ending 31st May 1908, on the Committee undertaking to remove all erections by that date and to restore the site to its present condition and that they are to undertake entire responsibility for scavenging and all sanitary requirements.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 3rd Apl. 1908.		Total from 1st Apl. 1907 to 3rd Apl. 1908.		For week ending 3rd Apl. 1907.		Total from 1st Apl 1906, to 3rd Apl. 1907.	
	From 28th to 31st March 1908.	From 1st to 3rd April 1908.	From 1st Apl 1907 to 31st March 1908.	From 1st to 3rd April 1908.	From 28th to 31st March 1907.	From 1st to 3rd April 1907.	From 1st Apl 1906 to 31st March 1907.	From 1st to 3rd April 1907.
Vessels piloted into harbour.	8	8	1,169	8	19	12	1,247	12
Vessels piloted out of harbr.	8	10	1,176	10	14	13	1,230	13
Vessels transported	12	6	879	6	16	11	927	11
Vessels attended to	2	2	106	2	2	1	141	2
Vessels warped	1	..	46	...	...	..	41	..

THE Gaekwar of Baroda visits Simla this season.

HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. Co's steamer "Caledonia," Captain Peters, will sail to-day for Aden, with the English Mail of the 18th April, with a general cargo, and the following passengers.

Anderson, Mr John
Anderson, Mr G W
Amin, Mr
Azane, Mr
Allahabad, Mr
Ainsworth, Mr
Ardeshir, Mr J
Abdoola, Mr
Beaman, The Hon, Mr, Justice
Baldwin Mr M
Barnes, Mr L E
Bolton Mr C D
Bickersteth, Mr
Brooke, Mr A F
Brown Mr J S
Batliwala, Mr D
Cox, Miss
Coates, Mr C H
Crewe, Mr W F
Cunningham, Prof. J A
Crouch Mr and Mrs
Coventry, Mr E M
Cohen Mr C W
Cooper Mr D A
Clarke, Miss
Covey, Capt
Davidson Mr J C
Dilley, Capt
Deleivingne Mr W N
Dinshaw, Master N H C
Fleming Mr W
Fagan Mr and Mrs J L
Fleury, Mr and Mrs P.
Gordan Mr A D
Gibbs Mr
Gregson, Mrs T
Greenhill, Mr
Gill. Mr H
Heaten, The Hon Mr Justice
Hart, Mr G S
Hill, Mrs
Hart, Mr
Havalvar, Mr S
Heath Mr
Ibneabaz, Mr
Isa, Mr
James Mr H R
Jackson, Mr V H
Kirk, Mr W
Khan, Mr
Lewes Mr. E
Lewis, Mr R S
Lewis Mr W R
Lotz, Mr A
Lownder, Mr G R
Marsden, Mr R A
Morony Mr T H
Morris Mr and Mrs A H
Milbanke, Maj Sir J Bt V C
Muggeridge, Mr and Mrs H C
Moseley, Mr C H
Mason, Mr H W T
MacNamara, Capt A E
McConaghey, Capt C B
Macpherson, Mr S
Macpherson, Mr J
Mead, Mr T
Macleod, Capt and Mrs J
Mullab Brig Genr
Macpherson, Mrs
Nelson, Mr R A
Nicoll, Mr
Nowroji Cowasji, Mr
Odgers, Mr C E
Powell, Miss
Pilling, Mr
Patill, Mr R M
Pochajee Mr
Patel, Mrs G B and child and wife.
Rosling, Mr A W
Roe, Capt B
Ranger, Mr G I
Richardson, Col F B
Rowand, Comdr A
Ramsden-Tagore, Mr A H
Sanders, Mr and Mrs J
Smidt, Mr
Stafford, The Marquis of
Shal, Mr
Shaw, Mr F W
Symons, Mr H L
Troup, Mr
Theophilides, Mr
Walsh, Mr C W
Wood, Mr W
Walford, Mr F
Wadia, Mr R D N
Walker, Mr
Waller, Mr F C
Weir, Mr J
Woods, Mr J
Wasserman, Mr
Way, Mrs
Zahirullah, Mr

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Total deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	4	0	4
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	12	12	37
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	20	15	27
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	6	6	16
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	10	8	40
F Parel, Sewree and Sion...	6	6	13
G Mahim and Worli	2	1	6
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	6	17
Total.....	60	54	160
Total plague deaths to date...	142,991		
Same date last year	82	71	154

SMALL-POX.

Attacks.	Deaths.
14	9

CHOLERA.

Attacks.	Deaths.
1	1

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

The following table shows the results of the rat campaign :—

April, 15th 1908.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead.	Found Infected.
A	22	50	11
B	105	138	38
C	39	159	45
D	41	76	19
E	68	134	29
F & G	70	10	4
Total to date...	345	567	146
Total rats killed.....			912